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## INTRODUCTION.

THE historical and literary importance of wills was scarcely recognized until the commencement of the present century. Previous to the production of a series of wills under the title of 'Testamenta Vetusta,' by Sir Harris Nicolas in 1826, nothing of the kind had been attempted, if we except the 'Royal and Noble Wills,' which appeared in 1780; but since that time various literary societies—and notably the Camden,<sup>1</sup> Surtees,<sup>2</sup> and Chetham<sup>3</sup> Societies, not to mention others—have turned their attention to the wills once preserved at Doctors' Commons, but some time since removed to Somerset House, as well as those in various provincial registries. The result has been that a new field for research has been opened for the genealogist, the biographer, the philologist, and the topographer. It was Sir Harris Nicolas's opinion (expressed in his preface to the work just mentioned<sup>4</sup>) that if several thousand wills were printed literally from the originals, with glossarial notes and copious indexes, from the earliest period to the end of the seventeenth century, "the most valuable illustration of the dresses, manners, language, and, in a word, of everything connected with the domestic history of this country would be formed which could possibly be produced." Again, with respect to genealogical research, the same authority unhesitatingly asserts that a miscellaneous collection of wills, well indexed, cannot fail to throw considerable light upon descents now contradictory or uncertain; and whether the facts developed on these points

Historical  
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of wills.

<sup>1</sup> 'Wills from Doctors' Commons,'

1 vol.

<sup>2</sup> 'Darham Wills,' 2 vols.; 'York Wills,' 5 vols.; and 'Richmondshire Wills,' 1 vol.

<sup>3</sup> 'Lancashire and Cheshire Wills,'

1 vol.

<sup>4</sup> 'Testamenta Vet.,' Introd. p. 15.

confirm what was doubtful or establish what was unknown, the value of them is unquestionable.<sup>1</sup>

The wills enrolled in the Court of Husting, London—a calendar of which is brought to an end in the present volume—substantially realize the words of Sir Harris Nicolas just cited in two respects, for in number they comprise “several thousand,” and they extend “from the earliest period to the end of the seventeenth century.” To have literally followed out his suggestion and to have printed the wills *in extenso* and in their original language would have been at once exceedingly laborious and expensive, and moreover would have been doing more than he himself practised when engaged on a similar, though far less voluminous, work. Enough of the wills has been set out in these two volumes to afford the reader an insight into the domestic lives of families and individuals intimately associated with the municipal history of London, and oftentimes prominent in the more public affairs of the nation, such as he is seldom able to acquire.

Wills of  
eminent  
citizens  
and others.

It is only necessary to mention the names of a few of the most eminent of those whose wills are found enrolled in the Court of Husting in order to justify this statement:—

1. John de Kyrkeby, Bishop of Ely, who endowed his see with houses, vines, and gardens situate at Holborn, whose gift is remembered at the present day by the names of Ely Place, Vine Street, and Kirby Street, and whose gardens, part and parcel of the gift, call to mind the well-known lines put into the mouth of the Duke of Gloucester by Shakspeare (‘Richard III.,’ Act III. sc. iv.):—

My Lord of Ely, when I was last in Holborn,  
I saw good strawberries in your garden there.

2. William de Farndon, Alderman of Farringdon Ward, to which he gave its name, and Nicholas [le Fevre?], who married his daughter, took his name, and became Alderman of his ward, which he afterwards disposed of by will to John de Pulteneye,

<sup>1</sup> ‘Testamenta Vet.,’ Introd. p. 12.

<sup>2</sup> In his ‘Testamenta Vetusta’ the majority of wills are only given in abstract.

although the latter appears never to have been *de facto* Alderman of the ward.

3. William de Elsing, the founder of Elsing Spital, on the site of which was afterwards built Sion College with its almshouses, one of the few picturesque relics of Old London which till lately remained to us, but now vanished.

4. William Walworth, whose prowess when Mayor against the rebel Wat Tyler at Smithfield is sufficiently well known.

5. Sir John Philippot, who was appointed joint treasurer with Walworth for receiving the subsidy granted to Richard II. on his accession, and who received the honour of knighthood with Walworth, Nicholas Brembre, and others.

6. John Northampton and Nicholas Exton, so long rivals of one another, the latter supporting Nicholas Brembre in his endeavour to sustain the monopoly enjoyed by the free fishmongers of the City, in opposition to the former.

7. Richard Whityngton, four times Mayor of London, whose munificent gifts and charitable acts need not be recorded here, as they are already household words.

8. John Colet, Dean of S. Paul's, Sir Andrew Judde, Sir Andrew Laxton, and many others whose names are associated with the cause of education, not only within the City of London, but in all parts of the country.

9. Sir Martin Bowes, the wealthy and charitable goldsmith, whose almshouses at Woolwich still bear witness to his generosity, and who bequeathed to the Mayor of the City of London for the time being and his successors a goodly cross of gold set with pearls and precious stones to hang at the collar of gold worn by the Mayor at high feasts, "as mentioned in the Repertory."

<sup>1</sup> "Item yt was this day [15 Dec., 1 Eliz., A.D. 1558] lovyngely grauntyd and agryed by the hole Courte that the Righte worshipfull S<sup>r</sup> Martyn Bowes Knighte and Alderman shall or may at his free will and pleasure eyther at the tyme of his deathe or at any tyme before bestowe and appoynte his twoo chyltern whose names be William and Charyty to whatsoever person or persones it shall please hym together w<sup>th</sup> theire porcions to be governyd and broughte up in vertue duryng theire mynoryty. In consy-

deracion whereof he the sayde S<sup>r</sup> Martyn hathe frely gevyn to this Cyty a Crosse of golde w<sup>th</sup> dyverse precyous stones and perles in it w<sup>ch</sup> he hathe promysyd furthw<sup>th</sup> to delyver to my lorde Mayo<sup>r</sup> for the said use to be worne by his lordship and his Successors Mayors of this Cyty for the tyme beyng for ever and w<sup>th</sup> the collar of Esses w<sup>ch</sup> was lately gevyn by S<sup>r</sup> John Allyn Knighte and Alderman of the same Cyty for the lyke use and intent" (Rep. 14, fol. 99 b).

10. And, lastly, Sir Thomas Gresham (not to mention numerous others), the founder of the college within the City which still bears his name, and to whose munificence the merchants of the City were indebted for their first bourse, or Royal Exchange.

Common  
form of  
Husting  
wills.

All the wills in the Court of Husting may be said to be drawn up more or less in "common form" fashion. As a rule, the testator gives directions at the outset as to the place where he wishes to be buried, and immediately afterwards prescribes the number of masses to be said for his soul, or founds a perpetual chantry. His obit, or anniversary of his decease, is to be observed, and in some cases a memorial service is directed to be held one month after his decease; this went by the name of the testator's "month's mind,"<sup>1</sup> just as the observance of his obit was called his "year's mind." Then follow bequests to his parish church, comprising service books, vestments, &c.; to the various orders of friars in London, religious houses, hermits and anchorites, inmates of hospitals, prisons, and compters; and, in many cases, bequests to provide marriage portions for poor maidens, for the repair of highways and bridges, and other pious and charitable objects. Occasionally we find a sum of money left to provide for a pilgrimage on the testator's behalf to the shrine of S. Thomas of Canterbury or Our Lady of Walsingham, or across the seas to Rome, to the Holy Land, or to Santiago of Compostella in Spain.

In the disposal of his worldly goods among his relatives and friends, a testator's debts and funeral expenses are given priority over all legacies. His wife is next satisfied of her dower by some specific bequest, or left to take what law or custom allows her in that respect, and a life interest is usually given to her in her husband's real estate or some portion of it, with remainder over to members of his family in tail. Bequests of specific chattels are numerous, and possess more than ordinary interest to the student of mediæval life, comprising as they do a variety of

<sup>1</sup> This commemoration, it appears, was not unfrequently followed by a dinner, for we find Herry Rycrofte, a brewer, expressly desiring by will that if his executors should make any month's mind for him, no dinner should be made "but only to poure folkes" after the discretion of his executors (II. 606).

goods, furniture, tapestry, &c., appertaining to the testator's household, articles of wearing apparel, his armour, offensive and defensive, and the implements of his trade. In the later wills we find gifts of mourning gowns and rings coming into fashion, and a large amount of real property becoming vested in civic companies, mainly (but not universally) in trust for pious and charitable uses.

The knowledge of a person's burial-place often leads to the discovery of much valuable information respecting him and his family, and on that account a testator's place of burial has been always given in the Calendar whenever mentioned in the enrolment.

Directions  
for funeral  
obsequies.

In former days many interments took place within the walls of a church, and a testator sometimes expressed a wish to be buried near his pew or customary seat (II. 532, 546); or, again, he desired to be buried in the middle of the processional way,<sup>1</sup> a pathway running up the sides of a church and passing behind the altar (II. 156, 218), the object being to keep the deceased's memory alive by compelling worshippers at the church to step on his or her tombstone.<sup>2</sup> Peter Trente, whose will is enrolled in this volume (II. 194), expressed a wish to be buried without a coffin (*sine cista*<sup>3</sup>).

Mary de St. Pol, widow of the unfortunate Aylmer de Valence,

<sup>1</sup> In one of the entries of burials in the Clerk of the Works' Register of Westminster Abbey, relative to the site of a particular interment there, occurs the quaint but expressive term "Middle Tread." The term probably applied to a central course of stone running along each walk of the cloisters, having squares placed diamond-wise on either side of it, and a course of square stones against each wall. Ben Jonson was buried in the north side of the nave of the Abbey "in the path of square stone." It is thought that these Middle Treads may have been serviceable in guiding the processions of the clergy (Stanley's 'Memorials of Westminster Abbey,' 1869, Supplement, p. 117).

<sup>2</sup> In the will of Thomas Broke, of Thorncombe, co. Devon, the testator ex-

pressly desires to be buried in a certain spot in the churchyard of the parish church of Thorncombe, "as men goth ouer into þe church at þe South Syde, ryȝte as they mowe stappe on me..... that men mowe the rather haue mynde on me, and pray for me"; he further declares his will to be buried with a great cloth enveloping his "foule Caryin," and without any coffin ('Earliest English Wills,' ed. by Dr. Furnivall for Early Eng. Text Soc., pp. 26-7).

<sup>3</sup> Literally without a chest. See note *infra*, p. 129, with which may be compared the following lines from Chaucer: Let him farewel, God give his soule rest, He is now in his grave, and in his chest.

'Wife of Bath's Tale,' ll. 501-2.

Earl of Pembroke, and foundress of Pembroke College in the University of Cambridge, by her will dated 1376, desired to be buried in the church of the Sisters Minors of Denny, co. Camb., of which monastery she was also the foundress, her corpse being clothed in the habit of the order (II. 194); and Margery Broun, also a widow, in the same year desires to be buried in her mantle and veil in which she became professed, without any coffin (II. 220). Here it may be mentioned that it was not uncommon for a widow to enter a convent and become a professed sister, or to avow chastity and become "espoused to God." The form of this last ceremony, or *Benedictio vidue*, is given in the 'Liber Pontificalis'<sup>1</sup> of Edmund Lacy, Bishop of Exeter. After vowing perpetual chastity, the widow was clothed with a mantle, and a ring put on her finger in token of her marriage with Christ. What practical distinction there was between becoming a spouse of Christ and taking the veil it is not easy to determine. All we know, as an historical fact, is that Eleanor, sister of Henry III. and widow of William, Earl of Pembroke, went through the ceremony of *Benedictio vidue* before the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishop of Chichester, and yet was not hindered from subsequently marrying Simon de Montfort,<sup>2</sup> which probably she could not have done had she taken the veil and become professed.

William Wydollson, a mercer (1524), directs that his body shall be carried from his house to the church of S. George in Southwark on a horse litter (II. 645); and in 1618 we find a testator giving the following precise directions as to the way his corpse should be conveyed into Nottinghamshire, there to be buried in the "closset" belonging to the manor of Nuthall in Nuthall parish church: his body is to be "embalmed ceared and encoffined or any other way soe as it may be carried safely in good sorte to Nuthall aforesaid w<sup>th</sup>out feare or danger of burstinge open or other disgrace in the way And in a Coache or otherwise as shalbe more fitt."<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Ed. R. Barnes, 1847, pp. 122-6. The work is cited by Dr. Furnivall in his notes to 'Earliest English Wills' (pp. 3, 135-6), to which work I am indebted for this and other information.

<sup>2</sup> The marriage caused no little com-

motion, as narrated by Matth. Paris, 'Hist. Ang.' (Rolls Series), vol. ii. pp. 402, 401-5.

<sup>3</sup> Will of James Ayscough, 1618 (II. 752).

In giving directions for his burial a testator frequently left a sum of money to the parson of the church wherein he wished to be buried. On the occasion of an interment of a knight or other person of distinction it was the custom to head the funeral procession with the deceased's best charger, fully equipped, and carrying the knight's armour or some portion of it. These were claimed as a mortuary or burial fee by the church (somewhat after the manner of a heriot), but were redeemable. They also went by the name of "principal" or "corse-present," and sometimes by that of "fore-drove," from the custom of driving them at the head of the procession. The Anglo-Saxon term for the mortuary was "soulesceat." In the will of Sir William Langeford, Knt. (1346), it will be seen that the testator desires to be buried in the church of Clerkenwell, and leaves to the prioress and convent his best horse, with equipment for one man, by way of principal (I. 489). Again, John Rokel (1368) desires to be buried in the churchyard of the church of SS. Peter and Paul at Braughin, co. Essex, and leaves to the church a heifer to be driven before his corpse at his funeral (II. 123), showing that the custom of mortuaries existed in that county,<sup>1</sup> although it did not obtain in all parts of England.

Requests by  
way of  
mortuary.

In course of time excessive mortuaries came to be claimed and demanded as a matter of right, and this exaction pressed hardly upon those who died in poverty or who happened to die whilst journeying and away from home, in which case it appears that more than one mortuary was often claimed. To remedy the abuses thus engendered a statute<sup>2</sup> was passed in 1530 enacting, among other things, that no one should be compelled to pay for a mortuary more than was due; that no mortuary should be demanded of any person whose movable goods at the time of his decease were under the value of ten marks; that mortuaries should only be claimed in places where the custom of paying them had up to that time prevailed; and that no persons should pay mortuaries in more places than one, that is to say, in the place where they usually dwelt.

<sup>1</sup> This is corroborated by the will of Gilbert Koo, of London (II. 142), who desires to be buried at Writtle, co. Essex, and for mortuary fee leaves his best horse.

<sup>2</sup> Stat. 21 Henry VIII, c. 6.

Having made arrangements for the disposal of his body after death, the testator next turned his thoughts towards the spiritual welfare of his soul. To this end he usually left sums of money to his parish church for the maintenance of fabric, lights, and ornaments, as well as to the parson of the church for tithes and oblates which during his lifetime he may have been guilty of forgetting to pay or of wilfully withholding. Large sums of money were also devoted to the maintenance of chantry priests, whose duty it was to say mass for the repose of the testator's soul. The number of masses to be said was often specified by the testator; thus Laurence de Chayham, a girdler of London, provides for a "trental" (*i. e.*, a service of thirty masses) to be celebrated by each of the orders of Friars Minors and Augustinian Friars (I. 385); and later on we find mention made of a "trental of S. Gregory" (II. 137, 158, 160, 216, &c.), a service which consisted of thirty masses, three to be said on each of the ten chief festivals, *viz.*, Christmas, the Circumcision, the Purification, the Annunciation, the Resurrection, the Ascension, Pentecost, Trinity Sunday, the Assumption of the Virgin Mary, and her Nativity.<sup>1</sup>

Chaucer, in describing the manner of preaching pursued by a "Lymytour," or mendicant friar licensed to beg in a certain locality, says:—

And specially aboven every thing  
Excited he the poepul in his preching  
To trentals.

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"Trentals," sayd he, "delyvereth fro penaunce  
Her frendes soules, as well eld as yonge."<sup>2</sup>

Another testator<sup>3</sup> leaves directions for a thousand masses to be said for the good of his soul within three days of his death, and five hundred masses to be said each quarter of the year following his decease. With the more wealthy and devout it was the practice to erect little chapels, which were either added to churches or enclosed by screens within them, where chantry priests

<sup>1</sup> These are the festivals prescribed in an early English poem, 'Trentalle Sancti Gregorii,' printed in 'Religious, Political, and Love Poems,' edited by Dr. Furnivall for Early Eng. Text Soc., 1866, p. 87.

<sup>2</sup> 'The Sompnour's Tale,' 7-17.

<sup>3</sup> Will of William Staundon, grocer (II. 393). The price current for masses may be judged from a bequest of twenty-five shillings for three hundred (will of Thomas Palle, II. 191).



might celebrate mass for the good of their souls in perpetuity. Andrew Aubrey obtained permission from the rector of the church of S. Antonin to erect a vestibule, chapel, and dwelling-house for two or three priests upon a piece of land on the north side of the said church, the appointment of the priests to remain with Andrew Aubrey, his heirs and assigns, whenever a vacancy should occur by death or otherwise.<sup>1</sup>

The character and conduct of these chantry priests must have become somewhat of a lax order in the sixteenth century; otherwise we should scarcely have found a pious testator, desirous of appointing a secular priest to the church of Wilmslow, co. Chester, giving express directions that such a priest was to be "no viciouse persone of lyevyng, diser, carder, bowler, cokkefyghter, noder commyne ale goer."<sup>2</sup>

King Henry VIII. was determined to put a stop to any further increase of the number of perpetual chantries, or of chantries to be maintained for long periods of years out of the rents and profits of lands, tenements, and hereditaments; and an Act<sup>3</sup> was passed declaring that all assurances of lands to churches for the purpose of a perpetual chantry or of a chantry to be maintained for a longer term than twenty years should *in future* be void. His successor went a step beyond this, and an Act<sup>4</sup> passed in the first year of his reign vested in the Crown all real and certain personal property devoted to the maintenance of obits, anniversaries, lights, lamps, &c., in any church or chapel *within the five years next preceding*<sup>5</sup> the

<sup>1</sup> Hust. Roll 75 (85). Andrew Aubrey, by his will dated 8 October, 1349 (II. 2), devised the dwelling-house to the chantry priests whom he had appointed and their successors. The chantry afterwards appears as the property of the Fraternity of the Pepperers of London, now known as the Grocers' Company. (See 'Facsimile of the Company's Earliest Book of Ordinances,' &c., ed. by Mr. J. A. Kingdon, and privately printed, 1886, vol. i. p. 44.) The Company put in a claim to the chantry in the reign of Queen Mary, but, she dying, the claim was not pursued.

<sup>2</sup> Will of Thomas Etell (II. 634).

<sup>3</sup> 37 Henry VIII. c. 4.

<sup>4</sup> 1 Edward VI. c. 14.

<sup>5</sup> The effect of this limitation is well

illustrated by a record of proceedings in the Court of Exchequer in Hilary Term, 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary (1556), taken on behalf of the Crown for the recovery of certain rents of houses at one time belonging to the parish of S. Magnus the Martyr, which had been forfeited to the Crown under this statute. The rector and churchwardens pleaded a certificate formerly filed in the Court in answer to certain articles directed to them by the commissioners appointed under the Act, whereupon a commission issued and an inquisition was taken and returned, wherein it was found, among other things, that no yearly rents or other profits of the tenements in question had been used or paid at any time *within five years*

passing of the statute. It is noteworthy that there is no statute making grants for superstitious uses void generally.<sup>1</sup>

Of service books bequeathed to churches may be mentioned:—an Antiphonar, Portifory, and a Gradual or Grail, an Ordinary of the Use of Sarum (II. 169, 210, 469), and a Breviary of the Use of S. Paul's (I. 644), of which Use little remains to us of the present day;<sup>2</sup> a Catholicon, or collected general epistles (II. 169); a complete Manual (*Manuale plenarium*), containing the occasional services of the Church (II. 521); a Legend of the Saints (I. 607; II. 511); a small Psalter covered with cloth of Tars (I. 681); and a bequest for the purchase of a "Legger" for the use of a church (II. 521). The portable Breviary known as Portifory or Porthors (from its being small enough to carry about) forms frequently the subject of bequests.

John Draper, skinner (1496), directs his executors to cause five silver chalices to be made and given to poor churches standing in need of them in the county of Essex (II. 596); and Thomas Clayton, baker (1554), leaves two goblets with gilt covercles ornamented with roses and flowers on the "knoppe," each goblet bearing the mark of a hand, to be converted into chalices for church purposes (II. 659). This conversion of things secular to ecclesiastical uses was by no means uncommon, and has continued down to the present day.<sup>3</sup> William Estfeld (1445) bequeaths his personal apparel of silk and gold, as well as that of his late wife, for the purpose of having them made into vestments, besides directing that, in case of certain events happening, the gold cup and ewer which he received as his fee when attending the coronation of King Henry VI. in his official

for the maintenance and sustentation of any priest, nor had any priest been sustained with any revenues or profits of the same tenements *within the same five years*. The Attorney-General confessed that the plea was true, and the judgment of the Court was recorded in favour of the rector and churchwardens (Report City Parochial Charities Com., 1880, vol. iii. p. 223).

<sup>1</sup> Goodeve's 'Modern Law of Real Property,' 1883, p. 95.

<sup>2</sup> Dr. W. Sparrow Simpson has printed what in all probability is the only fragment extant of this Use, consisting of an office of S. Erkenwald, an office for the commemoration of SS. Peter and Paul, and a short series of detached collects ('Documents illust. Hist. of S. Paul's Cath.,' arts. vii.-ix., Camd. Soc.).

<sup>3</sup> It has been recently reported of the ex-Empress Eugénie of France and of the Empress of Austria that they have directed their own wedding dresses to be made into altar covers.

capacity as Mayor of London shall be sold for providing chalices for poor country churches (II. 510). There are numerous other bequests of vestments, comprising albs, amices, chasubles, copes, dalmatics, tunics, and fanons (*phanons*) or maniples. These were often of fine and costly material, and enriched with lace and embroidery. Special mention may be made of a chasuble of red velvet with apparel for festivals, and a processional (II. 469); and of another of cloth of gold lined with blue *carde*, a kind of flock, known also as *caddas* (II. 37). Henry Barton, skinner (1434), leaves to the church of S. John, Walbrook, a vestment of black velvet, with orphreys (or ornamental bands) of feather work,<sup>1</sup> and others of cloth of gold, besides altar-cloths and hangings (II. 477-8). Walter de Berneys (1377) leaves two pairs of *orfreys* and a cloth of white *rakemas*,<sup>2</sup> and ten pounds for the purchase of two copes for S. Paul's Church (II. 206); and William Estfeld makes a specific bequest of a vestment ornamented with *popingeays*. Another instance of a vestment being ornamented with birds is to be found in the will of Margery, widow of Thomas Broun (1376), whose gifts to the church of S. Dunstan in the East embrace a *chesiple* of cloth of gold diapered with figures of birds (*distempartum cum gallis aureis*) (II. 220). John Gysors (1350), who gave the name of Gysors Hall to a tenement remarkable, among other things, for the architectural beauty of its crypt, bequeathed many valuable service books and vestments to the church of S. Martin in the Vintry, where he and many of his family were buried. Among the latter we find a cope of *camaca*, a costly material in use in this country towards the end of the fourteenth century, but of which little is known except that in all probability it was made of camel's hair and silk, and as such may be taken to have differed but little from camlet, which also appears to have afforded material for the same article of ecclesiastical apparel<sup>3</sup> (I. 644). Vestments varied in the richness of material according as they were for use on weekdays or high days and festivals.

<sup>1</sup> The *opus plumatum* of the Romans, or feather tapestry, resembling the dresses worn by the natives of Central America ('English Medieval Embroidery,' *Archæol. Journal*, vol. i. p. 319).

<sup>2</sup> *Racamas*, a species of rich embroidered cloth (Du Cange).

<sup>3</sup> See the will of John Claveryng (II. 383).

Thus Margery Broun (1376), of whom mention has already been made, leaves to the church of S. Katherine de Colman two pairs of vestments, one of white *Fustien* for weekdays, and the other of silk in imitation of *Baudekyn*,<sup>1</sup> besides a chalice and paten, Missal, &c. (II. 221). Many attempts have been made to explain the nature of the former material and the derivation of its name. It was probably of a coarse type of cloth, and, as the bequest itself points out, of a white colour, and not, as some have supposed, of a dusky hue as if dyed (*fusco tinctus*). In another bequest it is found in juxtaposition with *Worsted* (II. 383). Matilda Holbech (1392) bequeaths to the church of S. Dunstan in the East three pairs of vestments, viz., a best pair for festivals, another pair for weekdays, and a white pair for Lent (II. 303). The prevailing colour for vestments during the Lenten season is now violet.

Among other bequests to churches may be mentioned the following:—a *corporal* or *corporas*, the name given to the cloth covering the holy elements, and kept in a case or *cas corporas* (I. 644); a large ivory image of Our Lady, a silver censer, and a gold cross with the *bastons* of four pieces and relics (II. 294); *coupes* of silver or silver gilt (Lat. *ciboria*) for holding the reserved Host suspended over the altar, for which purpose one testator leaves his own seal-chain (I. 650; II. 246, 266, 478); *paxbord* or *paxbred*, more commonly known at the present day as the *pax*, a small tablet of wood or metal, ornamented with some sacred device, and kissed by the faithful in the service of the Mass, and hence called in Latin *osculatorium* (I. 660; II. 469); a *mustrance* or monstrance (Lat. *ostensorium*), for exhibiting the consecrated wafer to the congregation (II. 632); *phials* and *cruets* for holding the wine and water, or perhaps the holy oil (I. 644; II. 385, 469, 521); a *scoppe* of latten for the holy water (II. 27), and a silver stoup for the same purpose, together with a sprinkler and a silver bell (II. 62); a *sencer* of silver parcel gilt of the value of one hundred shillings (II. 632), to which may be added bequests of silver-gilt mazer-stands for

<sup>1</sup> A rich brocade woven with gold thread, and said to derive its name from Baldak or Bagdad in Mesopotamia, a city pre-eminent at one time for its manufactures and dyes. Cf. *baldachino*, a canopy originally made of *baudekin*.

making a thurible (II. 51), and of a testator's silver girdle for the censer in the church of S. Stephen, Coleman Street (II. 162); *savenaps* or *sanenaps*, napkins and towels, the latter in one instance comprising a towel of *melynges* and another of *crucicule* or cross work<sup>1</sup> (II. 220); and lastly a sum of money for the purchase of a "bearinge cloth" for Christian burial, the name of the donor embroidered thereon (II. 739).

The Paschal candle was a wax light of unusual dimensions, being many feet in height and several inches in diameter, and was kept burning at stated hours throughout the period between Easter Day and Ascension Day. It stood on a high column, which was often of fine marble, and sometimes elaborately wrought; and during the ceremony of its benediction grains of incense were stuck in it. Collections were made from the communicants of each parish for the purpose of defraying the expense of this candle, which may at times have come to be burdensome. It is not surprising, therefore, to find occasional bequests by pious testators for relieving parishioners from payment of this "candle silver," as it was called (II. 447, 562, 571, 592, 594, 619). The will of Thomas Wellys, draper (1472), expressly leaves a sum of money to the church of S. Mary Woolnoth for the purpose, that parishioners who were houseled yearly on Shere Thursday, Easter Eve, Easter Day, and Easter Monday, and in the weeks next before and next after Easter, might be discharged every year of "candell silver," such as was wont to be asked by the wardens of the said church of the people houseled, and by them paid at their kneeling "atte Goddesborde" in the said church to be houseled (II. 571).

The Easter Sepulchre in a church sometimes consisted of a chapel, at others of a wall recess usually situate on the north side of the chancel, and at others of some temporary structure

Bequests for  
Paschal  
candle and  
Easter  
Sepulchre.

<sup>1</sup> Roger Elmesley (1434) bequeaths "a good bordcloth with crosse werk and another bordcloth with mylyngis" ('Earliest English Wills,' p. 101, edited by Dr. Furnivall, who suggests "mylyngis" to mean millings, like those on the edge of a coin). A bequest of "v coarse *maslinge* towells," valued at three shillings, is cited in Beck's 'Drapers' Dict.' (s.v. "Towel"); and in another part of the same work (s.v. "Milliner") *mistlen* or *mistlin* is interpreted as meaning a medley or mixture.

elaborately carved and sumptuously enriched, where the crucifix was placed and the Eucharist reserved from Maundy Thursday until Easter Day. They are found in small churches situate within the altar rails, where at other seasons of the year they are used as credence tables. Thomas Exton, goldsmith (1420), among others, leaves a sum of money for providing a wax taper of ten pounds for Christ's tomb on the day of the Preparation within the church of S. Leonard, Foster Lane (II. 448, 455, 594). Again, Agnes, widow of William Pikerell (1373), shows her devotion by giving two cloths of *sarzinet*,<sup>1</sup> a *coverlit smalcchekerd*, and her best sheet of cloth of Reynes<sup>2</sup> (the first-mentioned cloths being embroidered with the letters "W" and "A," the initial letter of her late husband's Christian name and of her own), for covering the holy Sepulchre at Easter in the church of S. Vedast, besides providing for the maintenance of tapers to burn thereat (II. 155). William Drope, an Alderman (1506), also leaves a sum of money for the repair and gilding, when necessary, of the Sepulchre in the church of S. Michael, Cornhill (II. 626).

Bequest for  
"syngyng  
candells." There is one other kind of candle for use in church mentioned in these wills, namely, those known as singing-candles. Thus in the will of Henry Barton, skinner (1434), the Prior of Elsing Spital is charged with providing two pounds of wax to be made into small candles called "syngyng candells," for masses to be said so long as the said candles shall last upon the testator's mass day (II. 477)—a proceeding which calls to mind the custom which at one time prevailed of conducting an auction "by inch of candle."

Bequests to  
shrines. Among bequests to tombs, images, and other objects of veneration we find Margery Broun, whose name has been already mentioned in connexion with pious gifts to churches, leaving a large pearl ring, wherewith she became professed, to the tomb of Edward the Confessor at Westminster.

<sup>1</sup> A silk stuff deriving its name from used for sheets or shirts. It probably having been first made by the Saracens, took its name from Rennes, in Brittany, probably in Spain. where it is supposed to have been originally manufactured.

<sup>2</sup> A linen of fine quality, generally

Nearly every other will contains some bequest towards either the old or new work of S. Paul's, or some reference to a tomb, picture, or image with which the Cathedral in its early years was enriched. Nothing, however, within its walls was more venerated than the tomb of the beloved Bishop Erkenwald. Upon his decease a great struggle took place between the Canons of S. Paul's and the monks of the abbey which the Bishop had founded at Chertsey, for the privilege of burying him, but the people of London took away his body and caused it to be buried in the Bishop's own cathedral church. It afterwards received a more formal and ceremonious burial in a sumptuous shrine, to which, as well as to the chaplains serving it, gifts were frequently made by pious testators (I. 350; II. 139, 160, 203). A curious bequest of the kind is to be found in the will of Thomas Morice, a pleader (1368), who, besides a sum of money, leaves a black girdle with silver buckles to the crucifix at the north door of S. Paul's Church, another girdle of yellow (*yolw*) with similar buckles to the image of the Blessed Virgin in the New Work (an image which is frequently mentioned in the wills), and another girdle of blue (*blew*) to the shrine of S. Erkenwald (II. 108).

Besides his abbey at Chertsey, this good bishop founded another for his sister Ethelburga at Barking, co. Essex, to which we find a certain fishmonger—a native of the place, to judge from his name, William de Berkyngge—leaving, by will dated 1354, a gold ring and forty pence (I. 684).

Outside the City of London the tomb of the murdered Archbishop of Canterbury, Thomas Becket, son of Gilbert Becket, sometime Portreeve of London, was perhaps the richest and most venerated of all shrines, surpassing even that of Edward the Confessor at Westminster. Matthew Paris<sup>1</sup> relates how John de Briesne, King of Jerusalem, when on a visit to England in 1223, offered at his tomb four of the largest and finest sapphires he had ever seen (*iiiiº maximos saphiros quibus non vidimus nobiliores*). Gifts of rings to this and other shrines are very common; when, therefore, the Convent of Christ Church, Canterbury, declined to pay its quota of a subsidy demanded of the city

<sup>1</sup> 'Historia Anglorum' (Rolls Series), ii. 260.

in 1327, the citizens called a meeting, and resolved, among other things, that no pilgrim should be allowed to enter the church until he had sworn not to make even the smallest offering, and they threatened to provide themselves with rings for each finger of both hands from the gold rings belonging to the shrine.<sup>1</sup> In 1445 we find William Estfeld, to whose will reference has already been made, leaving to this shrine an *ouche* of gold set with pearls and precious stones; whilst the same testator makes also a similar rich offering to the shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham—a shrine which rivalled in popularity even that of S. Thomas of Canterbury. The road which led to Walsingham, where a miraculous statue of the Virgin and a phial of her milk were religiously preserved, was called the “Palmers’ Way,” and numerous chapels were built along the line.

Bequests for  
repair of  
highways and  
bridges. Before the introduction of rates for the purpose of keeping highways in repair their maintenance largely depended upon chance and the goodwill or necessities of those who lived in the neighbourhood and had most occasion to use them. Sometimes the Sheriffs in their “turns” ordered a tax to be levied on those whose lands abutted on a highroad and whose duty it was on that account to keep it in repair; but such a proceeding often met with a protest to Parliament on the ground that the roads and bridges were “sufficient enough.”<sup>2</sup> The watching over the good condition of the roads, as well as the building and maintenance of bridges, has always been looked upon as being more or less a religious duty. Hence we find, among other charitable bequests contained in these wills, sums of money frequently left by a testator for the repair of “noyous and jeoperdes wayes,” more especially within the City of London and its vicinity, although sometimes the benefit was extended to other parts of the country. Occasionally we find mention made of particular roads upon which the testator wishes his bequest to be expended, and it may reasonably be supposed that these were the roads which he had had occasion in his life-

<sup>1</sup> Third Report on the Archives of the Dean and Chapter of Canterbury (Hist. MSS. Com., Ninth Report, Appendix, p. 98 a).

<sup>2</sup> M. Jusserand's ‘English Wayfaring Life in the Middle Ages’ (translated by Miss L. Toulmin Smith), London, 1889, p. 80.



time chiefly to use, and with the wretched state of which he was only too well acquainted. Thus Walter Neel, whose occupation as a "blader" or cornmonger in the middle of the fourteenth century had probably made him familiar with many of the highways leading to the City, left a sum of money for the repair of the several roads leading from Newgate to Wycombe, co. Berks, from Aldgate to the town of Chelmsford, co. Essex, from Bishopsgate to Ware, co. Herts, and from Southwark Bar to the city of Rochester, co. Kent (I. 673). That the money was not left by the testator before it was needed is evident from the fact that within five years from the date of Neel's will the roads leading from the City's gates were so foundrous that complaint was made to the Mayor and Aldermen by those engaged in carrying victuals and wares to London. A tariff of charges was thereupon made for every horse and cart entering or leaving the City, and officers were appointed to levy the same at each of the City's gates and at London Bridge.

In 1349 Walter de Mourden, a stockfishmonger, left a sum of money for the repair of the road leading from Southwark Bar to Croydon (I. 654). Later on we find bequests made for the repair of the following highways: the highway between London and Hoddesdon (II. 510); for the repair of Mapes Lane, running between Kilburn and Willesden (II. 656); the highway from Gray's Inn Lane to Battle Bridge (II. 670); between Hackney and London, between Bishops Hatfield and Barnet, and between the "Ringe Crosse there" and Islington (II. 674); the several highways between Ware and Pukeridge, between the City of London and St. Albans, between Barnet and Baldock, and between London and Ware (II. 685); the highway between Whit-chapel and Yelford or Ilford (II. 695); the highway between the "Spittle howse" and Highgate, and the corner of S. John's Wall and the common highway leading from Highgate through Kentish Town to Battle Bridge (II. 705).

The sense of a moral and religious duty which attached to the repair of highways was felt even stronger in respect of building and maintaining bridges. From earliest times bridges partook somewhat of a religious character, and the very name of *pontifex*,

<sup>1</sup> Riley's 'Memorials,' p. 291.

or bridge-builder, whereby the sacrificing priest in pagan Rome was formerly known, has been transferred to the head of the Roman Catholic Church. Hence it was that even religious houses, holding as they did property in *frankalmoign*, and as such free of every service except that of praying for the soul of their benefactor, were yet obliged to contribute towards the repair of bridges—a duty which formed part of that threefold necessary burden known as the *trinoda necessitas*, from which none were exempt.

Leland<sup>1</sup> gives us the following lines composed in honour of the principal founder of a bridge at Culham, near Oxford:—

Another blissid besines is brigges to make,  
There that the pepul may not passe after great showers;  
Dole it is to drawe a deed body out of a lake  
That was fulled in a fount stoon,<sup>2</sup> and a felow of oures.

Among the works of charity which Truth in the 'Vision concerning Piers the Plowman' exhorts the wealthy to execute are the repair of "wikkid wayes" (bad roads) and the mending of broken bridges:—

...brygges to-broke by the heye weyes  
Amende in som manere wise.<sup>3</sup>

The pious character of bridges is also shown by the existence of chapels upon them; that on the bridge at Stratford atte Bow being dedicated to S. Katherine, and that on London Bridge to S. Thomas of Canterbury.

Taxes were not unfrequently levied under colour of being required for the making or repairing of a bridge. This led to the insertion in *Magna Carta* of a clause declaring that no town nor individual should be called upon to make bridges for river banks except such as were by ancient right bound so to do.<sup>4</sup> Tolls were often illegally demanded, and legal tolls misappropriated by the wardens whose duty it was to collect them, so that, notwithstanding the protection afforded to bridges by the *trinoda necessitas* and by indulgences granted to their benefactors, and the income

<sup>1</sup> 'Itinerary,' 1769, vol. vii. pt. i. p. 79.

<sup>2</sup> *I.e.*, baptized in a font-stone. Anglo-Sax. *fullian*, to cleanse, whiten, baptize. Cf. fuller's earth.

<sup>3</sup> 'Piers Plowman,' Skeat's ed., Text C, pas. x. ll. 32-3.

<sup>4</sup> "Nec villa nec homo distringatur facere pontes ad riparias nisi qui ab antiquo et de jure facere debent" (Stubbs's 'Select Charters,' 1884, p. 300).

they enjoyed from tolls, they would scarcely have been maintained in sufficient repair but for the offerings made to their chapels by wayfarers and the bequests of pious testators.

Of bridges which form the object of charitable gifts in the wills enrolled in the Court of Husting, London Bridge, as might be supposed, excels all others in the number of bequests made to its "use," and next to it comes the bridge at Rochester. The Roman occupation of London left but few traces behind it save London Bridge and London Wall. The former was of timber, and was succeeded by others of the same material until the twelfth century, when the first stone bridge was commenced by Peter of Colechurch. Great enthusiasm prevailed at the building of this bridge, and King John bestowed certain vacant lands for the erection of tenements, the profits of the same to be to the use of the bridge. This property, together with other estates similarly bestowed,<sup>1</sup> was vested in the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London as Wardens of London Bridge, and formed the nucleus of what is known as the "Bridge House Estate," an estate which derived its name either from a dwelling-house attached to the chapel wherein dwelt the Brethren of the Bridge House,<sup>2</sup> or from a house situate in Southwark near the bridge end, used at one time for storing building material for the bridge. This trust estate, augmented with gifts and bequests of pious and charitable citizens, produces at the present day a very considerable yearly income, and is charged with the support, and expenses attaching to the paving, lighting, and cleansing, of the several bridges of Blackfriars and Southwark, as well as of London Bridge. A list of benefactors to the last-mentioned bridge is said to have been kept at one time in the chapel.

Rochester Bridge was similarly endowed with real estate, certain manors having been assigned for its maintenance, known as "contributory lands." It was the duty of the Archbishop of

<sup>1</sup> Edward I., for instance, granted the Stocks Market to the Corporation, on the understanding that the profits should be devoted to the maintenance of the bridge ('Liber Cust.,' Rolls Series, pt. i. p. 275).

<sup>2</sup> In France a brotherhood was frequently attached to bridges in the

Middle Ages, the duty of the brethren being to assist wayfarers in case of accident, and to provide for the necessary repairs of the bridge. Their habit was a white vestment, with a representation, in coloured cloth, of a bridge and a cross on the breast.

Canterbury to maintain one pier and a certain number of beams, another pier was kept in order at the cost of the bishop of the diocese, and the "contributory lands" were responsible for the rest of the structure.<sup>1</sup> Both this bridge and London Bridge suffered greatly from the severe frost, "such as no man living could remember the like," which commenced at Christmas, 1282, and continued until the Feast of the Purification. The chronicler relates how five of the arches of the latter and the whole of the former were "borne downe and carried away with the streame, and the like hapned to many bridges in England."<sup>2</sup> Bequests in aid of Rochester Bridge will be found *infra* (II. 154, 261, 392, 428, 597, 623).

Other bridges receiving benefits under the wills are the following: "Brayntebregge," which possibly may have been in the neighbourhood of Brentford (I. 461); a new bridge at "Colbrook," co. Bucks, spanning the river Coln, which divides the shires of Buckingham and Middlesex (II. 760); "Ebrugge," beyond (*ultra*) Derwent, near Derby (I. 681); the bridge at Harpeford near Whatele (Wheatley [?] near Oxford) (I. 461); the bridge spanning the river Weaver at Northwich, co. Chester (II. 683); the bridges at Maydenheth or Maidenhead (I. 461) and at Newcastle-upon-Tyne (II. 554); the great and little bridges at Oxford (I. 461), the former known as Grandpont, situate to the south of the city, but more commonly spoken of, at the present day, as Folly Bridge, the latter identical either with Magdalen Bridge (which was formerly called Pettypont, to distinguish it from Grandpont), or with the bridge known as "Quaking Bridge," which crossed a little stream running near the Castle, and which is also described in ancient charters as *parvus pons*, or little bridge;<sup>3</sup> a bridge over the Medway at "Theston" or Teston, co. Kent (II. 600); and the bridge over the Thames at Wallingford (II. 509).

Bequests to the four orders of mendicant friars in London occur in almost every other will. The orders referred to are: (1) The Carmelites or White Friars, who

<sup>1</sup> Hist. MSS. Com., Ninth Report, Appendix, p. 285.

<sup>2</sup> Stow, 'Annals,' 1592, p. 301.

<sup>3</sup> 'Survey of the Antiquities of the

City of Oxford,' composed in 1661-6 by Anthony Wood; recently edited by Andrew Clark, M.A., for the Oxford Historical Society, vol. i. pp. 409, 433.

had their house near the Temple, the site of which still bears their name. (2) The Dominicans or Black Friars, who made their appearance in London in 1221, and originally took up their abode in Holborn, but afterwards (in 1285) moved to the spot on the river's bank still known as Black Friars. (3) The Franciscans or Grey Friars, who arrived in London a few years after the Dominicans, and eventually settled down near the unsavoury Shambles in Newgate, either in token of humility, as some say, or because a parcel of land in that locality happened to be bestowed upon them by John Ewen for a site of their house. The Grey Friars or Friars Minors received material assistance from other citizens and more especially from Henry le Galeys or Waleys, who was no less a benefactor to the sisters of the same order, called Minoresses or Poor Clares, whose house was situate without Aldgate, and in whose chapel, erected by himself, he desired by will (1301-2) to be buried (II. 96). (4) The Augustinian, Augustine, or Austin Friars, who made their first settlement in London in 1253, and the site of whose house near Broad Street is still remembered by their name. A portion of their church was assigned in 1550 to the Dutch Congregation, and so was for a time preserved, whilst the rest was perverted by the Marquis of Winchester, into whose hands it had fallen, for the storage of corn, coal, and other things. Besides bequests to these four orders, there are occasionally bequests made to a fifth order, viz., the order of Crossed or Crutched Friars, known also as Friars of the Holy Cross, who had their house in Hart Street, near the Tower.

From the Anglo-Saxon times until the Reformation hermits, as well as anchorites or recluses, were a numerous class in England. The essential difference between an anker or anchorite and a hermit appears to have been that whereas the former passed his whole life shut up in a cell, the latter, although leading indeed a solitary life, wandered about at liberty. This, at least, was the distinction drawn by Giraldus Cambrensis,<sup>1</sup> who uses the expressions *anchorite conclusi*, *heremite solivagi*. An anchorite's cell—or ankerhold, as it was

Bequests to  
anchorites  
and hermits.

<sup>1</sup> 'Anglia Sacra' (Wharton), ii. 436.

sometimes called—was usually in or near a church, although not always; it was so situate that the recluse might see the altar and hear the service, and its door was locked and often walled up, one or more iron-barred windows being left open by which he could receive the Communion and the necessaries of life. He was often a priest and much resorted to as a confessor, as, indeed, were also some hermits. The latter, however, commonly followed a trade or occupation.<sup>1</sup>

Although anchorites were not hermits, ankerholds were sometimes called hermitages, and the distinction between the two classes of religious is not always preserved in the Hasting wills. Thus we have in one will a reference made to the tenement of the hermit of Cripplegate (I. 450)—a hermitage founded by Mary de St. Pol, Countess of Pembroke, for the soul of her unfortunate husband Aylmer de Valence—and in another a bequest made to the anchorite at Cripplegate, as well as to the anchorite at Holborn (II. 148). That both classes were held in high esteem by the citizens of London is shown by the numerous bequests made to every anchorite and every hermit in or near London. Besides the anchorites or hermits at Cripplegate and Holborn, we have special mention made of the hermit in the meadows beyond the Thames, the hermit near Charing Cross, and the hermit near Bishopsgate<sup>2</sup> (II. 107); the anchorite living in the church of S. Peter, Cornhill (I. 483, 638); Friar John Ingram, the anchorite near the Hospital of S. Katherine in the neighbourhood of the Tower (II. 228), previously described in the will of Geoffrey Patrik (1371) as the hermit living at a place called “le Swannesnest” near the Tower (II. 147); and, in the same will, Friar Richard de Swepeston, the hermit near the church of S. Laurence in the Jewry, and Geoffrey his companion. The mention of a companion for a hermit seems incongruous, but it appears from a rule for solitaries drawn up by Grimlaïc, an anchorite priest in the ninth century, or perhaps somewhat later, that several were permitted to dwell together

<sup>1</sup> See Fosbrooke, ‘British Monachism,’ 1817, pp. 489–505.

<sup>2</sup> Ann, Duchess of Buckingham (*cirea* 1480), leaves vjs. viij*d.* to “the anker in the wall beside Bishopsgate” for saying twenty masses for the souls of certain individuals mentioned (Nicolas’s ‘Testamenta Vet.’ p. 356).

in one enclosure and have communication by a window, provided the cell of every one was separate.<sup>1</sup>

The hermit's cell was visited for advice and consolation not only by the wealthy burgher, but also by crowned heads. In a miserable penthouse standing against the parish church of Haselberg, co. Dorset, there dwelt in the twelfth century a hermit whose fame was spread throughout the length and breadth of England. Henry I., King of England, thought it no derogation of his kingly dignity to turn aside to consult this holy man, who had suddenly given up horses and hounds and a church living to pass the remainder of his life in solitude and prayer. It was the cry of this recluse which arrested Stephen, Henry's nephew and successor, whilst riding past the hermitage, and it was he who foretold Stephen's accession to the throne, praying him at the same time, when that day should come, to protect the Church and defend the poor.<sup>2</sup> Matthew Paris<sup>3</sup> tells the story how Richard the Lionhearted, when on a crusade in Syria, was sent for by a hermit, and obeying the summons found the hermit lying stark naked and emaciated, having lived on nothing but herbs and roots since the day the true Cross had disappeared from the earth. He foretold the failure of Richard's expedition, and in order to prove his power of forecasting the future said that he (the hermit) would die on the seventh day from then. Richard took the hermit with him to prove his words, which were found to come true, the hermit dying on the day named.

There was also a notable hermit who lived in the "Anchorite's House" near S. Margaret's Church, Westminster, called in one of the wills the "recluse" at Westminster (II. 398), to whom King Richard II. is reported to have confessed himself before going to Smithfield to meet Wat Tyler and the Kentish rebels.<sup>4</sup>

Female anchorites or anchoresses were not unknown. We read of such a one, by name Christina, who lived the life of a recluse at St. Albans, and had acquired a reputation for making embroidery;<sup>5</sup> there are, however, but few mentioned in the wills.

<sup>1</sup> *Archæol. Journal*, vol. xi. p. 196.

<sup>2</sup> Paper on 'London and her Election of Stephen,' read by the late Rev. J. R. Green at the *Archæol. Inst.*, July, 1866.

<sup>3</sup> *Rolls Series*, ii. 33.

<sup>4</sup> Stow's (Howes's) 'Chronicle,' 1615, p. 288; Stanley's 'Memorials of Westminster Abbey,' p. 410.

<sup>5</sup> Fosbrooke, 'Brit. Mon.,' pp. 504-5.

Hugh Peyntour in 1361 leaves money, however, to the several anchoresses of S. Giles, S. Benedict, and S. Mary de Manny (II. 107). Stow mentions an anchoress (at or near Bishopsgate) who received forty shillings a year from the Sheriffs of London. Their manner of life is minutely described in the 'Ancrer Riwele,'<sup>1</sup> which, though addressed to three anchoresses, supposed to be living at Tarent Keynes, co. Dorset, who had applied to the author to draw up for them a rule of life, was written to a great extent for the guidance of anchoresses generally.

Up to the time of the Reformation hospitals were usually connected with a priory or other religious house. The suppression of the monasteries not only flooded the streets of London with the poor and destitute who had hitherto depended for their support upon the charity of these houses, but it left the sick, the aged, and the impotent without the shelter and care which they had been accustomed to find within their hospitable walls, and drove them to the parish churches.<sup>2</sup> The danger arising from this state of things was represented to the King by the municipal authorities, who asked (1) that the hospitals of S. Mary without Bishopsgate, S. Bartholomew, and S. Thomas, and the abbey called New Abbey at Tower Hill, which were practically lying idle, might be conveyed to them for the purpose of relieving those who were in real distress and punishing "sturdy beggers not wylling to labor," so that by God's grace they hoped that few or no persons should be seen abroad to beg or ask alms; and (2) that they might have the churches of the four orders of friars within the City conveyed to them for the purpose of seeing to the due performance of religious services therein. Nearly ten years were allowed to elapse before the King did anything with respect to these petitions, and it was not till the beginning of the year 1546-7 that he caused letters patent to be issued granting to the Mayor, Com-

<sup>1</sup> A treatise on the rules and duties of monastic life, ed. by James Morton, B.D., for Camd. Soc., 1853.

<sup>2</sup> "Also yn the tyme of pestylence, for suche as walk and be recovered there

ys no remedy but to goo to the parysshe churches, whiche were wont to goo to the Freers, where ys large Rowme" (City Records, Jor. 14, fol. 130; Letter-Book P, fol. 179 b).



monalty, and citizens of London the church of the Grey Friars near Newgate, thenceforth to be a parish church under the name of Christ Church within Newgate; the Hospital of S. Bartholomew for the relief and sustentation of the poor, thenceforth to be known as the "House of the Poor in West Smithfield of the foundation of King Henry VIII.;" and the custody of the Hospital of Bethlem near Bishopsgate. The King died within a fortnight after making this grant; but Edward, who succeeded him, followed the lines laid down by his father, and gave to the Corporation of London the site of the Hospital of S. Thomas (called after Thomas Beckett,<sup>2</sup> the Martyr) in Southwark, as well as the church attached to it and a portion of its endowments, the rest of the endowments being conveyed to the City only upon payment of the sum of 2,461*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*<sup>3</sup> This took place in 1551, and two years afterwards the royal mansion house of Bridewell was handed over to the Mayor and Commonalty, who were thereupon constituted a body corporate under the name of the "Governors of the Possessions, Revenues, and Goods of the Hospitals of Edward VI., King of England, of Christ, Bridewell, and S. Thomas the Apostle."

In addition to the hospitals already mentioned and others which were devoted generally to the relief of bodily suffering as well as providing education for the young and work for those capable of working, there were certain hospitals set apart exclusively for lepers. The chief of these, sometimes called the three "Colleges" of lepers near London,<sup>4</sup> were the hospital in Southwark, which went by the name of *le loke*, a name which survives in the Lock Hospitals of the present day;<sup>5</sup> the Hospital of S. Giles in the Fields, founded by Matilda, Queen of

<sup>1</sup> Pat. Roll, 38 Henry VIII., Part v. memb. 53.

<sup>2</sup> So designated in the letters patent!

<sup>3</sup> The conveyance was made by two separate deeds, dated 12th and 13th August respectively. The first of these letters patent is in the possession of St. Thomas's Hospital; what has become of the second is not known. It is, however, enrolled on Pat. Roll 5 Edw. VI. p. 4, m. 29, in the Public Record Office,

<sup>4</sup> Will of Geoffrey Patrik, a scrivener (II. 147).

<sup>5</sup> The name is supposed by some to be derived from obsolete Fr. *loques* = rags, but it is more probably referable to *lock*, the patients being locked up and separated from others for fear of contagion. Lock Hospitals were established *temp.* Henry VIII. for the reception of persons afflicted with syphilis, who were kept apart from other patients.

Henry I., whose devotion to those suffering with this disease has been recorded by more than one chronicler;<sup>1</sup> and the lazar house at Hackney, serving as an outlying ward of S. Bartholomew's. In one of the wills<sup>2</sup> mention is made of the "mesel-cotes" at Hackney, the French term *messeau* or *mesel* signifying a leper;<sup>3</sup> to which may be added a lazar house at Knightsbridge and the *lazer cotes* in the neighbourhood of London mentioned in another will.<sup>4</sup> The will of William de Elsingg, mercer (1348), is especially interesting, inasmuch as the testator was the founder of the hospital, which long bore his name, for the relief of the poor and blind, whose wants, he plaintively laments, his means were insufficient to satisfy (I. 562). The hospital was situate near London Wall in the Ward of Cripplegate. After its suppression its site was occupied, and continued to be occupied until recent times, by Sion College.

There are numerous bequests to poor prisoners in Newgate, Ludgate,<sup>5</sup> and the Fleete, as also to those confined in the King's Bench, the two Marshalseas (one of which was, like the King's Bench, situate in Southwark, and the other was in or near the King's Palace at Westminster, being subject to the jurisdiction of the Marshal of the King's House, otherwise called Knight Marshal), the Clinck in Southwark (II. 742), and in the gaol known as the White Lion, also in Southwark, which formerly served as a common hostelry (II. 718).

There were, moreover, two Sheriffs' prisons or Compters situate within the City, one being in the Poultry and the other

<sup>1</sup> The story of how she was discovered one night by her brother washing the feet of lepers in her own chamber is told by Matthew Paris ('Hist. Anglorum,' Rolls Series, I. 201).

<sup>2</sup> Will of Simon Winbecombe, armourer (II. 341).

<sup>3</sup> "*Messeau*, a meselled, scurvy, leporous, lazarus person" (Cotgrave). The term is referable to Dutch *maeser*=birds-eye maple, spots similar to those which break out on one suffering from measles. John Pyncheon in 1392 left a weekly sum of money ("a certeyn") to the "Powre Mesellis" (i. e., poor lepers) for one year ('Earliest English Wills,' Early Eng. Text Soc., p. 3).

<sup>4</sup> Will of Thomas Padyngton (II. 589).

<sup>5</sup> Only debtors who were freemen of the City were confined here, whence Ludgate is spoken of as *le Franche-prison* (will of Richard Andren, I. 621). "This gate," says Stow, speaking of Ludgate, "was made a free prison in the year 1378, the 1st of Richard II., Nicholas Brembar being Mayor. The same was confirmed in the year 1382, John Northampton being Mayor, by a common council in the Guildhall, by which it was ordained that all freemen of this City should for debt, trespasses, accounts, and contempts, be imprisoned in Ludgate, and for treasons, felonies, and other criminal offences, committed to Newgate," &c. ('Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 15).

in Bread Street. The treatment of prisoners in the Compters, confined there chiefly for debt, depended in a great measure upon their ability to pay for superior accommodation. There appears to have been a place in these prisons known as the "hole," and another, and probably better, called the "two-penny ward," which a prisoner could enjoy by disbursing a small sum of money (II. 756). The usual fee for a bed in a Compter for one night was one penny; but if a prisoner expressed a wish to stay in the Compter rather than be transferred to Newgate or Ludgate, whether for debt, trespass, or any other cause except treason and felony, the Sheriff could suffer him to remain there "for his comfort" on payment of fourpence, sixpence, eightpence, or twelpence a week, and no more, towards the rent, according as the clerks of the Compter might assess him, taking into consideration his arrest and his estate.<sup>1</sup> Great irregularities having taken place in the Bread Street Compter, the prisoners were removed in 1555 to a new Compter, provided by the Corporation, situate in Wood Street.<sup>2</sup> In 1791 the Compter was again removed, and this time to a spot in Giltspur Street, over against S. Sepulchre's Church. Upon the removal of debtors to Whitecross Street the building was used partly as a house of correction, and partly for the reception of "night charges" and for the detention of persons under remand.<sup>3</sup> It was pulled down in 1855.

Mention of another prison will be found in these wills, viz., the prison of the Abbot of Westminster (II. 471, 554, 568, 742). This prison was in the old Gatehouse of the Abbey, which was divided into two chambers, one of which served as the Bishop of London's prison for convicted clergy and for Roman Catholic recusants, whilst the other acquired an unenviable name as the public prison of Westminster.<sup>4</sup> It was for the relief of the "clerks convict" that testators left sums of money.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> 'Liber Albus' (Rolls Series), i. 523.

<sup>2</sup> Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 131.

<sup>3</sup> Second Report of Committee on Prisons of the Metropolis, 1818, p. 247.

<sup>4</sup> Raleigh, Sir John Eliot, and Hampden were imprisoned in this part of the Gatehouse, and it was here that the Royalist Lovelace wrote the well-known lines:—

Stone walls do not a prison make,  
Nor iron bars a cage;  
Minds innocent and quiet take  
That for an hermitage.

<sup>5</sup> Similar bequests are found among 'Earliest English Wills,' ed. by Dr. Furnivall (pp. 78, 106).

There were occasions, such as a time of sickness or trouble, when a citizen would vow to make a pilgrimage in his own person to the shrine of S. Thomas of Canterbury or Our Lady of Walsingham, or, it might be, to the more remote shrines in Italy, Spain, and the Holy Land, in expiation of his sins. A pilgrimage of this kind was often enjoined by confessors by way of penance, sometimes with the further injunction that the traveller should make the journey barefoot<sup>1</sup> or in his shirt. Citizens of London did not always find it convenient to undertake these travels themselves, and were contented to leave a sum of money for providing another to make the journey on their behalf. This vicarious service of devotion had been recommended by the preachers of the Crusades. At first the rule prevailed that the person sent must be of equal rank with the sender, but this involved so much difficulty that it had to be relaxed.<sup>2</sup> Hence there arose a tribe of men who made pilgrimages their profession, who were ready to go anywhere for a consideration, and whose whole existence was passed in travelling from one sanctuary to another, always on the road and always begging.

As may be supposed from what has been already said touching the shrines of S. Thomas of Canterbury and Our Lady of Walsingham, most pilgrims wended their way to one or other of these places. The road to Canterbury was perhaps the more frequented of the two, inasmuch as it was the high road to the Continent. A regular service of horses for hire was established along it; a fixed tariff of twelvecence being charged for them between Southwark and Rochester, and between Rochester and Canterbury. In 1474 the "noyous" state of the streets of Canterbury became such a public scandal, owing to the report of them which was spread abroad by pilgrims, that the municipal authorities found it to their advantage to put them in good repair rather than to run the risk of losing the trade which

<sup>1</sup> It will be seen that Hugh Peyntour (1361) leaves the sum of twenty shillings to provide a pilgrim to travel on his behalf, with naked feet, to the shrine of S. Thomas of Canterbury, and a similar sum for another pilgrim to

travel in like manner to the shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, there to make certain offerings as directed (ii. 107).

<sup>2</sup> Prefatory "Notes in Explanation" to Nicolas, 'Test. Vet.,' p. xxxii.

pilgrims brought to the city.<sup>1</sup> Other shrines mentioned in the wills are those of S. Edmund, S. Mary de Stokes, and S. Mary de Manlond (II. 98).

A pilgrim desiring to visit a shrine beyond the seas might either start on his journey by himself, in which case he would run some risk of being robbed of what little money he carried with him, or he could wait for a general pilgrimage (*commune passagium*, II. 105), when he would have the benefit of travelling in company. Letters of safe conduct were necessary in either case;<sup>2</sup> but if a man happened to become involved in any legal proceedings during his absence, time did not run against him except from the time of his knowledge, and there was a distinction, says Bracton,<sup>3</sup> in the case of an *essoins* at law according as the defendant was absent on a "simple pilgrimage" or on a "general passage."

"Likewise there is the *essoins* of being beyond the sea, the *essoins* of being beyond the sea of the Greeks, as if any one has set forth on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. And in which case a distinction must be made whether he has set out on a simple pilgrimage to the Holy Land or on a general passage. But if on a simple pilgrimage there shall be allowed him at least a whole year and one day, and so *essoins* are allowed for being beyond the sea and within the sea of the Greeks for forty days at least and one flood and one ebb."

The time usually allowed for putting in an appearance, technically known as "*essoins*," for one residing within the kingdom was fifteen days, but an extension of time was required by, and granted to, one who was abroad serving in the army, or on a pilgrimage, or on account of some necessity.

The shrine of S. James, brother of S. John the Evangelist,

<sup>1</sup> Report on the Archives of the City of Canterbury, by Mr. J. Brigstocke Sheppard (Hist. MSS. Com., Ninth Report, Appendix, p. 168 a).

<sup>2</sup> The stat. 5 Ric. II. st. 1, c. 2, forbade persons departing the realm taking with them gold or silver coin, plate, &c., beyond the sea, except from certain specified ports; and those ports from which pilgrims were allowed to set forth were in 1389 restricted to Dover and Plymouth (stat. 13 Ric. II. st. 1, c. 20). Licences to owners and captains of ships for carrying pilgrims abound in Rymer's 'Fœdera' (Hardy's 'Syllabus,'

pp. 526, 657). When the Count of Flanders was about to start in 1177 on a pilgrimage to Jerusalem, accompanied by a band of English knights, he first obtained permission of Henry II. to leave England, whither he had come to visit the shrine of Thomas of Canterbury ("Et sic ipse comes, accepta licencia a rege peregrinandi Jerosolimam, nocte sequenti post tenebras mare intravit."—'Gesta Regis Henrici Secundi,' Rolls Series, i. 158).

<sup>3</sup> 'De Legibus et Consuetudinibus Angliæ' (Rolls Series), vol. v. p. 159.

whose body is said to have been brought from Compostella to Santiago in Galicia, Spain, was much frequented by pilgrims (who acquired the name *Jacobitæ* or *Jacobipetæ*<sup>1</sup>) as early as the ninth century. It seems also to have been regarded by citizens of London with especial favour, if we may judge from the wills before us. English travellers usually went thither direct by sea; the inconveniences of the voyage arising from overcrowding, sea-sickness, &c., have been graphically portrayed in a poem of the fifteenth century by one who had evidently experienced them.<sup>2</sup>

We find also bequests for pilgrims to go to the Holy Land on behalf of testators. Thus, for instance, John de Holegh, hosier (1348), leaves a sum of twenty pounds for providing one to go for him on a visit to the Holy Sepulchre at Jerusalem, as well as to the tomb of S. Katherine on Mount Sinai,<sup>3</sup> besides a further sum of seven pounds for providing another to make a similar pilgrimage on his behalf to Santiago of Compostella. If his executors be unable to find persons willing to undertake such pilgrimages, they are directed to distribute one half of the money among the poor, and devote the other half to the repair of highways within twenty miles of London (l. 657).

There was keen competition between towns possessing relics, and much ingenuity was bestowed on their discovery in order to attract pilgrims;<sup>4</sup> for pilgrims brought trade not only to inn-keepers and victuallers, but also to dealers in the images and tokens worn by pilgrims as a sign of their having visited such and such a shrine. These tokens varied at different places. At Canterbury they took the form of an *ampulla*, or little flask; at Santiago of Compostella they were scallop-shells; and at Rome the holy sudary or vernicle, such as Chaucer represented his Pardoner as wearing.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Fosbrooke, 'British Monachism,' p. 469.

<sup>2</sup> 'The Stations of Rome and the Pilgrim's Sea Voyage,' ed. by Dr. Furnivall (Early Eng. Text Soc., 1867).

<sup>3</sup> It was a popular belief that the decapitated body of this saint was carried off by angels to Mount Sinai.

<sup>4</sup> Some instances of devices resorted to for the purpose of attracting pilgrims

will be found in M. Jusserand's 'English Wayfaring Life' (pp. 344-5), a work already mentioned.

<sup>5</sup> A vernicle hadde he sowed on his cappe;

His walet lay byforn him in his lappe,

Bret-ful of pardoun come from Rome al hoot.

'Prol. to Cant. Tales,' ll. 685-7.

One of the methods pursued, and one which surpassed all others in attracting pilgrims, was that of granting indulgences to those visiting a particular shrine. In this respect the city of Rome could outbid all others. Hundreds, nay thousands of years of indulgence or pardon were granted to those who visited certain churches on days appointed. The visitation, no less than the shrine visited, appears to have been known as a "station."<sup>1</sup> Some altars were held in especial favour, and if visited on their respective feast days the ordinary indulgences were doubled. The number of stations throughout the year is computed to have been in round numbers four hundred,<sup>2</sup> so that a pilgrim could, under ordinary circumstances, only visit a portion of them. There was a quarter near S. Peter's at Rome where the English pilgrims resided, known as the Angle-School, sometimes called their "Borough" (*burgus*). This school is recorded in the 'Anglo-Saxon Chronicle' as having been burned down A.D. 816. We find a testator,<sup>3</sup> whose will is enrolled in the Court of Husting, leaving a sum of ten marks for providing an honest man to go to Rome on his behalf, should he himself die before making the journey, and to remain there visiting the stations (*staciones ituro*) and praying for his soul throughout the season of Lent (II. 251). Another testator<sup>4</sup> leaves money to provide two pilgrims to go to Rome and cause masses to be said for the good of his soul in the chapel of the Blessed Mary called *Scala Cœli* (II. 234). This chapel, which was built over the cemetery of S. Zeno, and stood outside the walls of the city of Rome on the Ostian road, derived its name from a vision of S. Bernard, who, while celebrating a

<sup>1</sup> It was formerly usual, says Dr. Rock, for people to assemble in a particular church on fast days, in order to proceed in regular procession to another church previously determined on for the celebration of what was called, in the language of the period, a *station*, so called because they stopped to hear mass and a sermon. When assembled the bishop or priest said a short prayer called *Collect*, or gathering prayer ('*Hierurgia*,' p. 62).

<sup>2</sup> See notes by Mr. W. M. Rossetti to 'The Stacyons of Rome,' a poem written by an Englishman of the fourteenth century, and printed in 'Political, Reli-

gious, and Love Poems' (Early Eng. Text Soc., 1866). The author was so struck with the advantages offered to the pilgrim by Rome that he saw no benefit in proceeding further to the Holy Land:—

Hit were no nede to no mon in Crys-  
tyante

To passe yn to þe holy lond ouer þe  
see

To ierusalem, nor to seynte Kateryne.  
Lines 350-2.

<sup>3</sup> Roger Crede, draper, 1383.

<sup>4</sup> John de Guldeford, "paneter," 1382.

funeral mass, saw the souls for whom he was praying ascending to heaven by a ladder:—

In þat place a chapelle ys,  
Scala cely called hit ys,  
“Laddere of heuen” men clepeþ hit  
In honoure of our lady be my wytte.

‘The Stacyons of Rome,’ 157–60.

Special indulgences attached to this chapel.<sup>2</sup> The name was also applied to Henry VII.’s Chapel in Westminster Abbey,<sup>3</sup> as well as to certain chapels in the church of the Augustine Friars at Norwich and S. Botolph’s Church at Boston. Margaret, Countess of Richmond and Derby, mother of Henry VII., obtained Papal bulls of indulgence for Henry VII.’s Chapel at Westminster similar to those granting privileges to the chapel of *Scala Caeli* near Rome,<sup>4</sup> and it appears that the same privileges were attached to the chapels of the same name in the churches at Norwich and Boston just mentioned, causing those churches to be much frequented by pilgrims who found it easier to pay their devotions in these places than to make a journey to Rome.<sup>5</sup>

Bishop Bale, in his play of ‘Kynge Johan,’<sup>6</sup> written to promote and confirm the Reformation, makes the King complain of the clergy extorting money

For legacyes, trentalls, with *Scalacely* messys,  
Wherby ye have made the people very assys.

The chattels which form the subject of bequests in the wills are both numerous and interesting, notwithstanding a great lack of inventories, which often add so much interest to wills. They enable us to

<sup>1</sup> The late Prebendary Mackenzie Walcott fell into the (not altogether inexcusable) error of confounding this chapel of *Scala Caeli* with the chapel *opposite* the church of S. John Lateran (not *in* the church, as the Prebendary supposed) containing the *Scala Sancta*, or holy steps, believed by the faithful to be the identical stairs which led to and from the house of Pilate, and down which our Lord passed to his Crucifixion. The steps are to this day ascended by worshippers on their knees, side stairs being set apart for their descent in the ordinary way (*Notes and Queries*, 28 Sept., 1850).

<sup>2</sup> Foxe’s ‘Acts and Monuments’ (4th ed., Religious Tract Soc.), v. 365; Hardy’s ‘Syllabus to Rymer’s *Fœdera*,’ ii. 729, 738.

<sup>3</sup> Henry Le Marney (1523) directs masses to be said for his children “first at *Scala Caeli* in Westminster” (Nicolas, ‘Test. Vet.,’ p. 609).

<sup>4</sup> Brit. Mus. Lansdowne MS. 441, fol. 7.

<sup>5</sup> Foxe’s ‘Acts and Monuments’ (4th ed., Religious Tract Soc.), v. 364–5; Blomefield’s ‘Hist. of Norfolk,’ 1806, iv. 90.

<sup>6</sup> Edited for Camden Society by J. Payne Collier, F.S.A. (p. 17).



form a vivid idea of the interior of a mediæval dwelling-house occupied by the humble craftsman as well as the wealthy merchant of the City of London. From them we learn the nature of the *ustilimenta* or *utensilia* (words which originally applied only to the loom as being *the* utensil of the house *par excellence*, but which afterwards came to be used generically for all household chattels) of the parlour (*locutorium*), the bed-chamber, pantry, and kitchen in a citizen's house. Among them will be found the following: andirons or fire-dogs for supporting billets of wood, variously spelt *aundires*, *aundernes*, and *aundirnes* (I. 346, 651, 690; II. 10, 41); *bord-cloths* or *borte-cloths*, for table-covers (I. 690, 692); an iron *broche* or spit, and a *gossespet* (I. 690; II. 210); a *broche* harnessed with silver, and a gilt *broche*, articles for personal ornament rather than domestic use like the former (II. 41, 233); a chafing dish, *chaufre* or *chaufepoun* (of silver in some instances), which served to heat the room, or took the place of hot-water bottles and muff-warmers of the present day (I. 644; II. 461, 685, 702, 742); a chair of ease of wainscot (II. 702); chests or coffer of various kinds, comprising Flemish and Gascony chests (II. 11, 97, 250); "a spruce<sup>1</sup> desked cofer" (II. 576); a ship chest (II. 576); a great *huche* (I. 690); a pair of *trussing kofrers* (II. 250); and strong boxes or *forcers*, one being of *cipres* (I. 335, 498, 649; II. 343). Of articles, besides spits, belonging to the kitchen we find mention made of a *ferpanne* and an iron plate for the fire (II. 343), a *frying panne* (I. 690), a *gredire* or gridiron (I. 690), and *rakkes* and *maungers* (II. 406).

Among other chattels of a miscellaneous character are the following: a comb of wire (II. 210); a horn of bugle (II. 271, 451); a silver powder-box, for perfumed powder for the clothes or perhaps for seasoning for food; tables or tablets of ivory, of "peces of Lombardy," and other material (I. 682, 692; II. 10, 107, 343); and a "little birding peece" (II. 737).

The walls of the mansion house of the wealthy citizen were hung with pieces of tapestry, known as *costers* or *dorsers*, elaborately worked with the needle to represent coats of arms or the figures of birds and beasts, or else stained (*i. e.*, painted) with pictures of some historical event or fabulous legend; such

<sup>1</sup> The spruce fir.

tapestry being sometimes spoken of as *halling*, from its being hung chiefly in the hall. The following examples of it occur in the wills:—Tapestry with the arms of the Earl of Pembroke (II. 195); *dorsers*, *costers*, and *quysshyns* (cushions), with figures of peacocks, &c. (II. 250); a piece of tapestry powdered with leopards' heads (II. 190); three pieces of blue tapestry worked with grey *treyfoylis* (II. 262); a *dorser* and *banker* (cloth for covering a bench) powdered with birds and roses (II. 152); a halling of *worstedes* stained with divers beasts (II. 250); and others painted or embroidered with the story (history?) of the Prince of Wales (II. 190), the story of Joseph (II. 661), and with King Richard and Hector of Troy (II. 41).

The growth of luxury and increase of comfort which our ancestors began first to enjoy towards the middle of the fifteenth century are further attested by the elaborate description of bed-furniture, with hangings and curtains often richly embroidered, which we find in the later wills. There were countrymen living in Holinshed's day whose fathers were fain to be content with a straw pallet to sleep on, with a good round log under their heads instead of a bolster or pillow; and if a man could within seven years of his marriage purchase a mattress or flock bed and a sack of chaff to rest his head upon "he thought himself to be as well lodged as the lord of the town, that peradventure laie seldome in a bed of downe or whole fethers."<sup>1</sup> Pillows were at one time thought to be requisite only for women in childbed; and as for servants, if they had a sheet to cover them, they seldom had one beneath them "to keepe them from the pricking straws that ran oft through the canuas of the pallet and rased their hardened hides."

The bedstead, we gather from the wills, was usually of wood or *bords*; thus we find mention made of a wooden bedstead of *bord* (II. 228, 250), a *bordidbed* (II. 277), and a bequest of twelve pairs of best *bedbordis* (II. 406), besides a *bedstede* new bottomed with sackcloth (II. 685), and a *foldenbord* and *bedstedes* (II. 703). Thomas Thwaytes, mercer (1503), bequeaths a *sparver*, "the whiche sumtyme was Henryes the vj<sup>th</sup>" (II. 621). It is not quite clear whether a *sparver*

<sup>1</sup> Holinshed, 'Chron.,' 1807, i. 317.

is a bedstead, or whether it does not rather represent a bed with its hangings and other stuff.<sup>1</sup> We have also a "feild bedsted," with curtains, vallance, and covering of green *saie*, two feather beds upon the same bedstead, two *boulsters*, and two pillows (II. 740).

The custom of hanging curtains round a bed and covering in the top with a tester or half-tester (*silur* or *demi-silur*) prevailed in former days more than it does now. Pepys notes with surprise that when, at the time of the Great Fire in the City, he went home late one night to Sir W. Penn's, he found the bed provided for him to be without curtains and hangings, all being down; "so here I went the first time into a naked bed," says he, "only my drawers on."

What an entire bed comprised may be gathered from a bequest of one made by Margaret Bradford (1400) to her servant. This consisted of three curtains with *selur* of blue card, a coverlet with *testur* of green, a pair of sheets, two blankets, and a "quylt" (II. 348). Bed-hangings were sometimes of coloured *say*, or serge (II. 190), sometimes of *worsted* (II. 202, 207). Mention is also made of a bed of *Norffolk* or swansdown bed (II. 207).

We have coverlets of *Tirteyn*, a kind of linsey woolsey (I. 453), and others ornamented with representations of animals, *e.g.*, dogs (II. 202), and butterflies (II. 221), or of flowers, *e.g.*, roses (II. 158). In like manner testers were ornamented with figures of conies (II. 215), dolphins (II. 186), dragons and birds (II. 305), or boars' heads (II. 214). The coverlet and tester were frequently made to match in colour and ornamentation; thus Richard Betaigne leaves a red bed, viz., *coverlit* and *tester*, powdered with roses (II. 277). In another will we find a *coverlit* and *tester* of red worked with unicorns (II. 262); and in another they are stained (*i.e.*, painted) with the story of Idonia and Amedas (II. 274). Of other articles of bed-furniture may be mentioned a silk mattress (quilt?) with cloth of Venice in the middle (I. 176), and a mattress covered with *Borddalisandre* (II. 221), a stuff frequently mentioned in old inventories of churches,<sup>2</sup> which took its name

<sup>1</sup> Nares conjectures it to be a canopy | sparver, called a bed, of red velvet, or tester of a bed ('Glossary,' *s.v.*). Ann, party gold" (Nicolas, 'Test. Vet.,' i. 357).  
Duchess of Buckingham (*circa* 1480),  
left to her son the Earl of Wiltshire "a | <sup>2</sup> The following entry occurs in the churchwardens' accounts (A.D. 1473) of

from Alexandria in Egypt, though not exclusively manufactured there. Dr. Rock, in his excellent little work on 'Textile Fabrics,' shows that this was a striped silk, "bord" in Arabic meaning a striped cloth. Canvas is frequently mentioned in connexion with bed-furniture, serving probably for sheets (II. 202, 214, 229); we find also sheets of Holland, which were of a coarse quality (II. 740), whilst the finer sheets were made of fine flax and "cloth of Raynes," a linen cloth manufactured at Rennes in Brittany. Pillows and bolsters under the name of "travesayls" (I. 471), and pillow-cases or "pillowberes," go to complete the bed-furniture (II. 676, 702, 740).

Among articles of apparel mentioned in the wills  
 Personal apparel, furs, are the following:—a holiday cassock of cloth and  
 girdles, &c. another of "tawney moccadowe"<sup>1</sup> (II. 672, 696); cloaks of "bluet"<sup>2</sup> (II. 86), of "faldyng"<sup>3</sup> (I. 658; II. 91, 252), of "broun murre"<sup>4</sup> and "red melle"<sup>5</sup> (II. 257), of "taune" (II. 140), and of "ray" or striped cloth (II. 86); a bequest from one man to another of a pair of "corsetys"<sup>6</sup> (II. 561); a piece of blanket for corset (II. 186); a "courtepy"<sup>7</sup> of black medley (II. 13), and a like garment and kirtle<sup>8</sup> of red "say" or serge (II. 210); a pair of "demesens"<sup>9</sup> (II. 698); a "tawny satten doublett" (II. 672), and doublets of velvet and worsted (II. 669, 670, 672).

The garment of ordinary wear both for men and women was usually spoken of as a gown (*roba*), and this was of various colours and material, *e.g.*, a gown of blue lined with "blak bokeram" (II. 576); two gowns of "browne blewe," one faced with

the church of S. Michael, Cornhill, edited by the late Mr. W. H. Overall:—"Item for ij yerdes and a quarter borde alysaunder." The editor, however, incorrectly explains it to be "wainscot from Alexander [*sic*]"

<sup>1</sup> Stuff made in imitation of velvet.

<sup>2</sup> Blue cloth.

<sup>3</sup> A kind of coarse cloth like frieze.

<sup>4</sup> "Murrey" usually denotes a dark red-coloured cloth.

<sup>5</sup> Medley, a cloth of mixed colours.

<sup>6</sup> A garment called a "corset" was worn in France by both sexes and all classes; it varied in length, shape, and

amplitude, was lined occasionally with furs, and had sleeves (Beck's 'Drapers' Dict., *s.v.*).

<sup>7</sup> A short cloak.

<sup>8</sup> A name originally applied to a variety of garments worn by either sex, but now more particularly to a petticoat.

<sup>9</sup> "Damesellours" or "Damasins" occur in the Package Table of Rates appended to the City's charter granted by Charles I. "Damassin," according to Mr. Beck ('Drapers' Dict.), was a kind of brocade invented by the Venetians in the seventeenth century.

"lezardes"<sup>1</sup> and the other with budge<sup>2</sup> (II. 656, 702); a gown trimmed with "burnet"<sup>3</sup> (I. 683); gowns of "cendryn" or "sendryn"<sup>4</sup> (I. 584, 647, 692); a gown faced with damask<sup>5</sup> (II. 656); another of "motteelee"<sup>6</sup> (II. 163); gowns of "muster-devilers"<sup>7</sup> furred (II. 512, 589); and "puke"<sup>8</sup> gowns faced with "tawnye taffeta"<sup>9</sup> or "conye" and furred with budge (II. 655, 656, 670).

It was the fashion for wealthy citizens to bestow mourning gowns upon the poor of their Company or of their parish. These were usually of russet<sup>10</sup> cloth, but sometimes of Welsh<sup>11</sup> or Bristol frieze (II. 383, 675, 688). Robert Downe, "iremonger" (1556), leaves gowns of "mantell frise" to twelve poor torch-bearers at his funeral (II. 664); and Sir Martin Bowes leaves to twenty-four poor men gowns of such colour as was customary to be given at burials at the time of making his will, and he instances "Rattes culer" and "Shepes culer"<sup>12</sup> or such like (II. 695). John Holmes, a weaver (1568), leaves a gown of "sheepes collar" faced with *foynes* (II. 702); and Sir Cuthbert Buckle, who died

<sup>1</sup> Probably the fur of the lynx. Cf. "Lewzernes," a fur mentioned in the 'Book of Rates' of Charles II. Sir John Wallop, Knt. (1551), bequeaths to his cousin Cooke, Sergeant of the King's Hart-hounds, his gown furred with *lucerns* (Nicolas's 'Test. Vet.,' p. 733).

<sup>2</sup> Lambskin with the fur dressed outwards, still employed to trim the gowns of City liveries.

<sup>3</sup> Probably some material of a brown colour.

<sup>4</sup> A material of an ashen colour.

<sup>5</sup> A rich figured cloth, for which the city of Damascus was once especially famous. By stat. 3 Edward IV. c. 5, the wearing of damask or satin was prohibited to all but certain officers of the king's household and others who had possessions of the value of 40*l.* by the year.

<sup>6</sup> A cloth of mixed materials. Motley was the ordinary wear of household fools—"Motley is the only wear" (Shakspeare).

<sup>7</sup> A name given to a cloth either because it was of a mustard colour or because it was made at a town called Montevilliers or Muster de Villiers, near Harfleur. The name is variously spelt,

assuming occasionally the form of "mustyrd devells."

<sup>8</sup> It is doubtful whether this word, like many others, means a colour or distinctive material; probably the latter. If it means a colour, it was a shade between black and russet (puce?).

<sup>9</sup> A name once applied to plain woven silks, but in more recent times signifying a light thin silk stuff with a considerable lustre or gloss.

<sup>10</sup> As with other colours applied to fabrics, it is very doubtful whether this name does not often signify a distinct material. In any case it was a coarse sort of cloth worn by the poorer classes. The sumptuary law passed in 1363 (37 Edward III. cap. 15) forbade agricultural labourers and others not possessed of goods and chattels to the amount of 40*s.* wearing anything but blanket and russet.

<sup>11</sup> Called in the will of Henry Barton, skinner (1434), *pannus roccetus Wallensis* (II. 479).

<sup>12</sup> Probably a grey russet of undyed wool. A bride in the time of Elizabeth is described as dressed in "a gown of sheep's russet and a kirtle of fine worsted."

during his mayoralty (1593-4), bequeaths mourning gowns for poor men, of "new colour" (II. 721).

Among other articles of apparel we find hoods of silk and *Paristhred* (II. 241); a "workedaie jackett" (II. 670); a *jerkyne* of branched (*i.e.*, figured) velvet<sup>1</sup> to shoot in (II. 656), as well as one of crimson and tawny velvet (II. 667); *kyrtells* of blanket, by which was intended a white material (II. 103, 302), and of *sanguyne*, a material of deep red colour (II. 228); a "tawnye mockadowe kertell fringed and laide abowte the skirtes with lace" (II. 705); a *paltok*, or doublet reaching to the middle of the thigh, whence the modern *paletot* may possibly be derived (I. 670; II. 93); a *slop*, or smock with a hood (II. 252); and a *wardecorps* or *gardecorps*, a kind of vest (II. 32).

Notwithstanding the stat. II Edward III. c. 4, which limited the right of wearing fur to earls, barons, knights, prelates of the Church, and those who expended one hundred pounds at least by the year, we find fur constantly used not only for livery gowns on State occasions, but for decorating articles of apparel for every-day wear. In addition to those already incidentally mentioned, we meet with the following: *beaver* (II. 192, 304, 341); *bisshe* or *bys*, generally supposed to be made of the skin of the hind (Fr. *biche*), although we find it also mentioned in connexion with rabbits, hares, and squirrels (II. 136, 214); *budge* or lambs-wool, both black and white (II. 223, 246, 317, 696); *calabre*, some kind of inferior fur (II. 93, 99, 186); *ficheux*, or fur of the marten (II. 329); *fox*, *e.g.*, "a foxe furred gowne" (II. 667, 670); *foyne*, the fur of the wood or beech marten (II. 262); *gennette*, an animal resembling in some degree the skunk (II. 702); *gris* or grey, a rich fur made of the backs of squirrels when they have their winter coat on<sup>2</sup> (II. 215, 221, 235, 241); fur of "lezardes" or "leuzernes," from the skins of the lynx, as already mentioned; fur of *martilet* or marten (II. 317); *menever*, a fur held in the highest esteem, but difficult of identification at the present day, perhaps the fur of the belly

<sup>1</sup> Stow describes the representation of Richard Lions (beheaded in Cheap by Wat Tyler, 1381), on his tomb in the church of S. James, Garlickhithe, as having "a gown, girt to him down to his feet, of branched damask, wrought

with the likeness of flowers" ('Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 94).

<sup>2</sup> I saugh his sleeves purfild atte hond With grys, and that the fynest of a lond.

Chaucer, 'Prol. Cant. Tales,' ll. 193-4.

of the squirrel (II. 214); *otter* (II. 93, 192, 304, 329); *putes*, the skin of wild cats or weasels (II. 221); and *shankes*, or fur from the legs of animals<sup>1</sup> (II. 702).

Beatrix de Barton (1379) bequeaths a tunic with fur of *kyngges*, probably meaning ermine, as that fur was forbidden to all but the royal family (II. 210).

Girdles were at one time articles of universal wear, and their richness varied according to the wealth and rank in life of the wearer. Some consisted of simple leather bands, whilst others were made of costly material, overlaid with jewellery and precious stones, and fastened with handsome buckles or clasps. Chaucer in the 'Romaunt of the Rose' describes a "girdle of riches" such as is mentioned in the will of William Brangewayn, vintner (II. 41). Many other girdles which form the subjects of bequest in the wills were harnessed with silver (II. 170, 304, 320); another girdle is described as fastened with *botonet* and clasps with the letters *3 3 C* (II. 182); another as powdered with pearls (II. 97); another as being of blue silk full of representations of griffins in gold (II. 190); another as composed of *scaloppes* (I. 658); and another as being of silver, with the inscription *In principio erat verbum* (II. 528). The girdle was not only ornamental, but served the useful purpose of carrying a variety of articles, as, for instance, the baselard or long dagger so frequently mentioned in the wills, keys, purse, knives, &c.<sup>2</sup>

Among articles of *bijouterie*, or *minute res* as they are called by one testator (I. 677), will be found Bequests of jewellery and rings. bequests of *paternosters* or rosaries, the beads of which were often of amber (I. 653, 694; II. 11, 25, 51, 214, 216, 233, 316, 599, 698) or of jet (II. 210, 214). A rosary usually comprised 165 beads, 150 of which represented *Aves*, and 15 *Paternosters*. The latter, called *gaudes*, were of a larger size than the rest, and so arranged as to make one *Paternoster* come after every ten *Aves*; they were further distinguished from the rest by being of silver or silver gilt (II. 25, 210, 698).

A *fermail*, in the shape of a clasp or brooch, was sometimes

<sup>1</sup> "Schanke of bouge, fourrure de cuissettes" (Palsgrave). | who leaves a girdle and key hangers of silver and a purse and knives hanging at the same girdle (II. 739-40).

<sup>2</sup> See the will of Susan Heback (1603),

attached to the rosary<sup>1</sup> (II. 214, 310). Other noteworthy bequests of fermails are those mentioned in the will of Margaret Tonk (1378), one having the royal arms of England, and another representing the four points of a compass (*ad modum quatre mye compays*) (II. 214).

Very similar to the *fermail* was the *nouche*<sup>2</sup> or *ouche*, if indeed they were not different names for the same thing.<sup>3</sup> Alice Northall (1361) leaves a brooch of gold called "ouche," set in pearls (II. 23); and Isabella Corp, a widow of a pepperer (1354), leaves to the Rector of Codmersham, among other things, a small *nouche* with an *agnus dei* pendant (I. 688).

The will of Margaret, widow of Sir John Hawkins (the famous navigator, friend of Sir Walter Raleigh, and relative of Sir Francis Drake), is interesting, some of the bequests comprising articles of foreign manufacture which her late husband had probably picked up during his voyages. In her will (II. 746) we meet with *carcanettes*,<sup>4</sup> or necklaces, of gold, of very elaborate workmanship; thus one is described as being enamelled black and blue, containing eleven pieces set with sixty-six pearls, having a *tortis* pendant set with a blue sapphire; another weighs 2½ oz. "lacke penny waight," and contains twenty-three pieces set with pearl, with a jewel pendant of five diamonds; and another contains eleven buttons, "being of massy Spanish work," enamelled and set with pearls, with a jewel pendant having in it three diamonds, three rubies, and one very fair pearl. She further leaves her best pair of Spanish borders, enamelled black and trimmed with pearls, the upper border containing nineteen pieces and the nether border seven pieces; and a "pointed" diamond ring given to her by the Countess of Warwick.

Diamond rings are the most frequently mentioned, after which

<sup>1</sup> Cf. "a payre of bedes of blak gaudys of siluer and gilt and a ryng ther-on with clippynge of ij handes, siluir and gilt" (will of Roger Elmesley, 1434, 'Earliest Eng. Wills,' p. 102).

<sup>2</sup> It is a question whether *nouche* is not merely a corruption of "*an ouche*" (see Way's 'Prompt. Parv.,' p. 359). The Lat. *nuclea* is against this suggestion.

<sup>3</sup> In the inventory of goods received from the executors of Richard de Blountesham (1317) there is *unum*

*firmaculum dictum Nuche triangulare* (Letter-Book E, fol. 59).

<sup>4</sup> Fr. *carcan*, Lat. *carcanum*, Gr. *καρκίνος*, some kind of circlet.

Say that I linger'd with you at your shop,

To see the making of her *carcanet*.

'Comedy of Errors,' III. i.

When used with reference to armour, a gorget of chain mail.



come rings with sapphires, rubies, pearls, and emeralds. Anne Hawes (1646) disposes by will of her three wedding rings as well as of that of her grandmother (II. 764), and we have one instance of a man bequeathing his wedding ring to his servant (II. 727). Mary de St. Pol, Countess of Pembroke, bequeaths to the King, as a memento, a ring of precious stones, hoping that he will favour the religious house which she had established at Denny, co. Camb. (II. 195). We have also, among others, a gold ring, called "a Comellin"<sup>1</sup> (II. 702); a great "Turkas rynge," or ring set with a turquoise (II. 675), such as Shylock would not have parted with for a "wilderness of monkeys";<sup>2</sup> a ring with the "Pawney"<sup>3</sup> (II. 752); and a ring with a "Todestone" (II. 711). Both the turquoise, turkise, or turkey-stone, and the toadstone or *crapaudina*, were popularly believed to possess talismanic properties. The latter, supposed to be found in the head of the toad<sup>4</sup> (but probably the fossil palatal tooth of a species of ray), was esteemed for its efficacy in protecting new-born children and their mothers from the power of the fairies, as well as indicating the presence of poison by perspiring and changing colour.<sup>5</sup>

A ring which was considered to possess healing or talismanic property was called in mediæval Latin *virtuosus*, and it is more than probable that the sapphire "of value" (*virtutis*) and the silver ring with "precious stone" (*petra virtutis*) left by Richard Constantyn (1342) to his son were stones of this character, and should have been so translated (I. 482).

Upon the death of an archbishop or bishop the King was formerly entitled to a gold ring among other things. In the province of Canterbury the second-best ring of the bishop was usually surrendered, together with the seals, to the Metropolitan. In 1310, on the death of the Bishop of Ely, the ring was withheld by the monks of Ely, and the Archbishop was driven to

<sup>1</sup> Meaning no doubt a ring with a cornelian stone, like that bequeathed by John Lute (II. 711).

<sup>2</sup> 'Merchant of Venice,' III. i.

<sup>3</sup> Probably meaning a ring ornamented with the flower known as heartsease or pansy, unless it be a "posy" ring.

<sup>4</sup> Sweet are the uses of adversity,  
Which like the toad, ugly and  
venomous,  
Wears yet a precious jewel in his  
head.

'As You Like It,' II. i.

<sup>5</sup> Jones's 'Finger-ring Lore,' 1877,  
pp. 156, 158.

issuing a mandate for its recovery, describing the ring as *annulum qui pontificalis vulgariter appellatur.....qui de jure et consuetudine nostre ecclesie Cantuariensis ad nos dignoscitur pertinere*.<sup>1</sup> It is, therefore, all the more remarkable that we find Michael de Northburgh, Bishop of London (1361), bequeathing his mitre and pontifical ring direct to his successors (II. 61).

In the will of John Mercer (II. 752) we have a bequest of a "Gymball ringe." This ring, better known as *gemmel* or *gemmow*, was constructed of twin or double hoops, kept together by a hinge (Fr. *gemenoux*, twins). Rings of this kind are frequently represented with clasped hands—the "clippyng of ij handes" in the will of Roger Elmesley already referred to<sup>2</sup>—and were used as betrothal or wedding rings. Other fancy rings mentioned in the wills are one bequeathed by Johanna Fastolf (1418), with the inscription *Vous aime de tout moun coer* (II. 419), and another engraved with a lute and the letters "I" and "L," the initials of John Lute, the testator (II. 710). A similar conceit is to be found in the will of Sir Martin Bowes (1565), who bequeaths to Sir Percival Harte a gold ring "with two Bowes bente and a deathes hed graven betwene them upon it," according to a sample left with his executors, with the Scripture about it, "Remember thy ende" (II. 695).

The last-mentioned ring was evidently a mourning ring. The custom of having rings specially made for distribution among the friends of the deceased at funerals began to prevail towards the beginning of the sixteenth century and continued down to quite recent times. That this custom obtained in the City of London<sup>3</sup> is shown by numerous bequests of money for the making of memorial rings which occur in the later wills.

In 1369 a man being convicted of having sold rings or fermails of latten, coloured in such a way as to resemble gold and silver, in order to deceive, was adjudged by the Mayor and Aldermen to suffer the punishment of the pillory, with the rings and fermails aforesaid hung about his neck, and afterwards to be committed to prison.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Wilkins's 'Concilia,' ii. 403.

<sup>2</sup> *Supra*, p. XL, note 1.

<sup>3</sup> Pepys records in his 'Diary,' under date 28 November, 1662, the following:

"By ten o'clock to Ironmongers' Hall to the funeral of Sir Richard Stayner. ....Here we had good rings."

<sup>4</sup> Riley's 'Memorials,' p. 337.

Bequests of armour are scarcely so numerous as one would expect, seeing that every freeman in the kingdom was bound by various statutes to provide himself with certain offensive and defensive armour according to his condition. The first statute of the kind was the famous "Assize of Arms"<sup>1</sup> instituted by Henry II. in 1181. It included the whole free population, and specified the particular arms to be borne by landholder and burgher and freeman possessed of chattels varying from sixteen to ten marks. Its object was to organize a force which could be depended upon in case of foreign invasion, and it was confirmed from time to time by subsequent legislation. Thus the Statute of Winchester (31 Edward I., stat. 2, c. 6) in 1285 enacted that every man possessing fifteen pounds in land and forty marks in goods should provide himself with a haubergeon or hauberk of chain mail,<sup>2</sup> a *chapel de feer* or iron helmet, a sword, a knife, and a horse; whilst those who were not so well off were to find themselves in less expensive arms in manner prescribed. The assize of arms was to be strictly kept, and constables were appointed to hold a view of armour twice a year. A few years later (A.D. 1297) we find the Corporation of London enjoining all citizens to provide themselves with two pieces of armour, viz., with haketon (a jacket of quilted leather sometimes worn under the armour and sometimes used as armour itself) and gambeson or wambeys, sometimes called "pourpoint," another garment worn under the hauberk; or, in the alternative, with haketon and plates, the latter being pieces of armour for protection of breast and back.<sup>3</sup> Every City ward was provided with armour and weapons placed in charge of some responsible person, those belonging to the Ward of Cornhill being preserved at one time in the steeple of the parish church of S. Michael. It was usual to hold a review of the City's forces every year at Midsummer, known as the "Midsummer Watch." This was composed of a "Standing Watch," all in bright harness, and a "Marching Watch," which passed

Bequests of  
armour,  
offensive and  
defensive.

<sup>1</sup> 'Gesta Regis Hen. II.,' by Benedict of Peterborough (Rolls Series), i. 278-80.

<sup>2</sup> Speaking generally, the haubergeon was but a smaller hauberk. The latter was the chief knightly defence. It reached to the knees, the skirt some-

times opening at the front, sometimes at the sides. Occasionally the defence continued over the head as a coif or hood.

<sup>3</sup> Riley's 'Memorials,' p. 35.

through the principal thoroughfares of the City, the whole distance traversed by it extending to "three thousand two hundred tailor's yards of assize." There was little seriousness, however, about the display, the opportunity being taken for showing off liveries and pageants; and as it involved considerable expenditure it was forbidden for a season by Henry VIII. in 1539, after a muster of citizens of more than ordinary splendour had passed through London to Westminster, returning home by way of Holborn. The custom of holding the Watch ceased from that time, except during the mayoralty of Sir John Gresham, and all efforts to revive it failed.<sup>1</sup>

The bequest made by Michael Northburgh (1361), Bishop of London, of an entire suit of armour (II. 61), recalls the time when clerics were found participating in the dangers and glories of the battle-field.<sup>2</sup>

The following pieces of armour are specifically mentioned (among others) in the wills: a *bacinet* or *basnet*, a close-fitting headpiece of iron,<sup>3</sup> sometimes worn under a larger helmet or *celthai* (II. 298); bacinet fitted with an *aventail* or grating (sometimes movable) for the purpose of ventilation (I. 484, 649; II. 25, 149, 266, 298, 300, 341, 351); bacinet with an *umbrer* or visor (I. 649), and *bacenettes* of London make (II. 341); *braaz* or *bracers*, comprising *vambras* and *rerebras*, armour plates for the front and back part of the arm<sup>4</sup> (I. 649; II. 149, 298, 341); *doublets*, with or without hoods (II. 226, 304, 352); gloves of plate<sup>5</sup> (II. 149); *haketon* or *aketon* (I. 648; II. 25), and *hauber-*

<sup>1</sup> A MS. is still preserved among the City's archives setting forth the manner of keeping the Watch in former years, and the advantages of the custom. It was dedicated to Sir Thomas Pullison, Mayor, 1585.

<sup>2</sup> In the revolt of the Scots under Bruce in 1306 among the prisoners captured by the English were the Abbot of Scone and the Bishops of St. Andrews and of Glasgow, all taken in complete armour (Lingard, 'Hist. of England,' 1825, iii. 376).

<sup>3</sup> These were covered or lined with some material, and an ordinance was made in 1322 against armourers, who made the irons for bacinets, causing any bacinet thenceforth to be covered for

sale. This was done in order to prevent the sale of old bacinets which had been vamped up ('Memorials,' p. 145).

<sup>4</sup> Chaucer in his description of the "yeman" mentions that

Upon his arme he bar a gay bracer.

<sup>5</sup> Prologue Cant. Tales, line 111.

<sup>6</sup> Gauntlets of the fourteenth century "exhibit a similar progress to the rest of armour, beginning in chain-mail and ending in plate." The use of plate gauntlets arose about the middle of the century, the fingers being articulated, the remainder composed of one or more broad pieces (Hewitt's 'Ancient Armour,' ii. 169, 170).

*geoun* (II. 149, 341), of which mention has already been made; a *jack*, or defensive garment, usually stuffed with cotton, although occasionally formed of mail; a *jacke* of *morre* furred with *foynes* (II. 164), which was probably an article of apparel for time of peace; *jambes*, *jambers*, or *legharneys*, composed of a variety of pieces for protecting the thighs and legs (I. 649; II. 298, 341); a pair of *musekyns*, which, if referable to Fr. *mussequin* and Lat. *musachinum*, would appear to be some kind of armour for protecting the back (I. 649); a *palet* with hood, representing in this case probably a coat of mail, and not, as in most cases, a headpiece, whether of iron or leather (II. 304); a pair of *panns* or *pauns* for defending the paunch or belly (II. 149); a *pisan* or *pysan*, a kind of breastplate (I. 484, 649); pairs of *plates*, one for defending the breast and the other the back (I. 648; II. 25, 298, 300, 555); gauntlets also, which were originally of scale-work, came afterwards to be made of *plate* (II. 149, 266, 300, 341); *quissers* or cushes covered with cloth of *camaca*, for the protection of legs and thighs (I. 649); and lastly, a bequest of a *targett* or shield (II. 657), and of a *bokeler* covered with plates of silver (II. 310).

More than once we find a bequest of a *barrel* in connexion with armour (II. 298, 341), and this is to be explained by the custom which prevailed of cleaning armour of chain-mail by rolling it in a barrel, probably with sand or some other agent.<sup>1</sup>

Of offensive weapons we have scarcely any mention, if we except *baselards*, which were long daggers worn at the girdle, more, perhaps, for ornament than use. There are, however, bequests of bows, with or without "tyllers cases," shafts, and pins, among the later wills (II. 326, 657, 661, 670, 672); of arrows fitted with peacocks' feathers (II. 41); a *dagg*<sup>2</sup> or pistol (II. 304); a *mase* (II. 657); and a piece with *bandeleeres* (II. 747). There is also a remarkable bequest made by Mary de St. Pol, Countess of Pembroke (1376), who leaves to the King of France a sword *qui est sanz pointe* (II. 195). This was presumably a sword

<sup>1</sup> Hewitt's 'Ancient Armour,' ii. 109, 110.

<sup>2</sup> Cf. "one dagg wth flask and tutch-bockes," bequeathed by Robert Midforthe, 1564 ('Durham Wills,' Surtees Soc., ii. 226). It was an instruction

from the Privy Council to the citizens of Norwich in 1584 that a light horseman's saddle was to be "light.....and yet suche as a case of daggs may bee fastoned to the pommell thereof" (Hewitt's 'Ancient Armour,' iii. 655).

which had the edge and point rebated or turned back, in other words what was known as a "bastard sword." Mention is made of such a sword in the will of John Chelmyswyk (1418).<sup>1</sup> Swords of state usually had their point thus blunted; the sword, for example, of King Edward the Confessor—the first sword carried before the Kings of England at their coronation, and known as "curteyn" (Lat. *curtana*)—had its point broken, as an emblem of mercy.

The increasing wealth of the citizens of London may be seen in the number of silver cups, mazer cups, cups called "Bikers," and others, which they handed down to their children. Some of these were flat, *e.g.*, a "flat biker" (II. 238); others were mounted on a stand, and went by the name of "chalicecuppes" (II. 318) or "standyng cuppes" (II. 424). The stands were occasionally made to represent animals; thus John Botiller (1361) leaves a silver cup standing upon three lions (II. 51), John Foot or Maryns (1381) leaves a cup called "calixcoppe" (chalice cup) with silver covercle standing on lions silver gilt (II. 248), and another leaves a piece of silver standing on greyhounds (II. 455). The covercles of the cups were sometimes surmounted with animals, *e.g.*, a unicorn (II. 126), a "dolfyn" (II. 238), or a stag (II. 455); at other times with a "pommel" or "knoppe," which took the form of an acorn (I. 287, 688; II. 126), and occasionally with a Saracen's head (II. 126) or a "George" (II. 632). Silver cups were often richly ornamented with wreaths, garlands, and roses (II. 108, 521, 638, 698), with figures of swans and eagles (II. 472), or with the owner's name, arms, or mark (I. 681-2; II. 81, 337, 472, 547, 721).

On the bottom of the cups was often to be found the name "Jesus" engraved (I. 557; II. 305), or the figure of some saint,

<sup>1</sup> 'Earliest English Wills,' ed. by Dr. Furnivall for the Early English Text Soc. (p. 35). The editor there cites in illustration the following passage from Harrison's 'Description of Britaine' (Holinshead's 'Chronicle,' 1587, i. 2):—"The forme.....of this Ile [England] is three-cornered.....like vnto a triangle,

*bastard sword*, wedge, or *partesant*, being broadest in the south part, and gathering still narrower and narrower, till it come to the farthest point of Cathnesse northward, where it is narrowest of all." See also Beck's 'Drapers' Dict.,' *s.v.* "Bastard."

*e.g.*, S. John or S. Katherine (I. 484; II. 103, 344). A testator of the name of "Cony" (1517) bequeaths to the Carpenters' Company, of which he probably was a member, a silver cup with covercle parcel gilt, commonly called a "goblette," having a silver-gilt *coney* on the top, weighing 25 $\frac{3}{8}$  oz. Troy (II. 692). Another, who was a baker by trade, leaves various goblets and cups marked with a "Clement," or figure of the saint of that name, the patron of the bakers of London. He further leaves to the master of his company an ale-pot with a cover all gilt, with two axes on the top enamelled (II. 659). Silver cups and other objects were given as presents to children at their baptism (I. 375; II. 555). Besides silver cups, we find mention made of cups of other materials; *e.g.*, a cup of "albastre" (I. 667), a cup of jasper (II. 606), and high-standing goblets called towers of glass (*tours de veer*<sup>1</sup>). These last must not be confounded with cups of Tours workmanship (*de fabrica de Tours*) made of silver, mentioned in the will of Juliana Russel (I. 173, 174).

By far the largest number of drinking vessels met with in the wills were, however, of wood, and were known as "mazers." These were usually made of maple-wood, and more especially the spotted or speckled variety known as birdseye maple.<sup>2</sup> The term "mazer" is, in the opinion of Prof. Skeat, merely an extended form of the Middle High German *mase*, Old High German *másá*, meaning "a spot"—whence also our word "measles"—and the cup is so called from its being made of "spotted wood." It was customary to mount mazers on a foot, in which case they were known as "standing mazers." An illustration of this is afforded us in the will of Richard Willeston (1398), where mention is made of a mazer called "le Fotidcupp" (II. 337).

In the bottom of almost every mazer there was a medallion or boss,<sup>3</sup> sometimes called the *print*, which for the most part was

<sup>1</sup> II. 53. Among the effects of Thomas de Frowyk (1374) was a cup called "tour de chalice," or high-standing chalice cup (II. 170). It is not so easy to explain what was meant by a silver cup of new *tour* (*de novo tour*) left by another testator (II. 95).

<sup>2</sup> For an account of this class of drinking bowl and a description of those

which have been handed down to the present day, see an exhaustive paper on 'English Mediæval Drinking Bowls called Mazers,' read before the Society of Antiquaries by their secretary, Mr. W. H. St. John Hope, F.S.A., *Archæol.*, 1887, vol. I. part i. pp. 129-93.

<sup>3</sup> John Lagage (1432) leaves mazers with silver bands (often added to mazers

ornamented with sacred devices or figures of saints, *e.g.*, the figures of S. John and the Virgin Mary (II. 81), of S. John and S. James (II. 344), the figure of S. Martin (II. 126), and the passion of S. Thomas the Martyr (II. 305).

It was also a mediæval custom to give names to favourite drinking cups, and of this, too, we find illustrations in the following names of cups which are the subject of bequests in the wills:—mazer cups called “Bride” and “Balloc” (I. 557); a mazer called “God Morwe” (II. 207); a “byker” called “Katherine” (II. 61); a mazer called “Montagu” (II. 81); a silver goblet called “Peregryn” (I. 649); a cup called “Warr,” probably from its being made of box-wood (I. 691; II. 32); and a silver cup called in English “the grete grubbe” (II. 505).

Pardons and indulgences were sometimes attached to mazers and other drinking vessels. Mr. W. H. St. John Hope gives us an instance of the kind in a bowl belonging to the Dean and Chapter of York, the silver-gilt band of which is inscribed with a notification that Archbishop Scrope had granted forty days’ pardon “to all ~~tho~~ that drinkis of this ~~cop~~,” and that a similar pardon had been granted by Richard Messing, Bishop of Dromore. The only instance of such a cup to be found in the wills is a bequest made by Martin Elys, a Minor Canon of S. Paul’s (1393), to his surviving brethren of a mazer cup with silver covercle called “Pardoncuppe” (II. 305).

There was another kind of drinking cup called “Gripesey,” from its being formed out of the egg of a griffin (*γρύψ*, *gryps*), a more or less fabulous bird or beast, the egg used for the purpose being in all probability that of an ostrich, such as are used at the present day. These frequently form subjects of bequests in the wills, and are sometimes described as ornamented with silver and gold (I. 661, 667; II. 97, 181). There is also an instance where the feet of the same bird are represented as forming a stand for a cup called “le horn” (II. 555).

There are also mentioned cups called “Notes,” from their being formed of a cocoa-nut (I. 479; II. 26, 90). These were mounted

to render them deeper, as well as to ornament and strengthen them), and with bosses in the bottom (*cum burcellis* | *in fundo*); *burcella* or *bursella* literally meaning a bushel (II. 461).



on stands, and "garnished" or "harnessed" with gold and silver ornaments (II. 307, 589, 672, 681); such a stand could be made out of an inverted mazer, thus forming a double cup (I. 371).

The only other cups are the goblets (*godettes*) and *bolcuppis* or *bolpeces*, all of which were vessels of considerable capacity. Henry Barton, skinner (1434), left to the Skinners' Company bowls weighing 7 lb 10 oz. Troy, which were to be used for serving wine to the Mayor, Aldermen, or Sheriffs attending his obit, and upon every general meeting of the Company in their Hall (II. 478). Bowls and goblets were made to fit one inside another, so as to form "a neste" (II. 670, 698).

Previously to the introduction of fictile ware towards the end of the fifteenth century the ordinary service of the table was of wood, pewter, tin, brass, or latten. There were old men living in Holinshed's time who reckoned the use of pewter platters in the place of wooden ("treene"), and silver or tin spoons in the place of wooden spoons, as one of the most marvellous changes in the shape of luxury that had taken place in their lifetime.<sup>1</sup>

Among the wills there are bequests of "half a dozen peautre vessel" (II. 277, 347), "half a garnish of vessel" (II. 656), and others of a similar kind, which are explained and illustrated by the following passage taken from a description of England in Holinshed's 'Chronicle':<sup>2</sup>—

"Such furniture of household of this mettall [*i.e.*, pewter] as we commonlie call by the name of vessell is sold vsuallie by the garnish, which dooth containe twelue platters, twelue dishes, twelue saucers, and those are either of silver fashion, or else with brode or narrow brims, and bought by the pound, which is now valued at six or seven pence, or peradventure at eight pence.....In some places beyond the sea a garnish of good flat English pewter of an ordinarie making.....is esteemed almost so pretious as the like number of vessels that are made of fine siluer, and in maner no less desired among the great estates, whose workmen are nothing so skilfull in that trade as ours, neither their mettall so good, nor plentie so great, as we haue here in England."

Silver plate was for the most part reserved to decorate the cupboard—or "vesseller," as it was sometimes called (II. 207)—and the buffet, only the wealthiest employing it for ordinary service. That amiable gossip Pepys, whose income at the time must

<sup>1</sup> Holinshed, 'Chron.', 1807, i. 317. |

<sup>2</sup> *Id.*, i. 399.

have been considerable, records in his 'Diary,' on the last day of the year 1666, his own astonishment that one in his condition "should have come to abound in good plate, so as at all entertainments to be served wholly with silver plate, having two dozen and a half."

No article for the dining-table was held in greater estimation than the salt-cellar or "salt." These were often very handsome pieces of plate, of silver or silver gilt, standing a considerable height from the table, and richly chased. Many of the Livery Companies of the City are the proud possessors of salts which have been handed down from generation to generation. The most notable salt mentioned in the wills is that bequeathed by Thomas Clayton, baker (1554), to his daughter, which had a gilt cover surmounted with an image of S. Clement, the patron saint of the bakers of London as already mentioned, and with the initial letters of the names of himself and his wife (II. 659).

Of spoons we have several instances: apostle spoons (II. 698, 739), having "postellis" at the end, and spoons ornamented with acorns (II. 51, 58), dragons' heads (I. 688), "mayden heds" (II. 698), leopards' heads (II. 238), and gilt "knoppes" (II. 676).

By the aid of the wills before us it is easy to trace Fraternities, Guilds, and Companies. the early history of the modern Livery Companies in the ancient Guilds or Fraternities, which, in addition to the exercise of religious and social duties, took an active part in regulating the various trades and handicrafts followed by the citizens of London. We see the Fraternity or Guild founded by the Tailors of London in honour of S. John the Baptist giving place to the Company of Merchant Taylors, the Fraternity or Guild of S. Antony of the Pepperers of London succeeded by the Company of Grocers, and the same taking place with respect to the Mercers, Drapers, Skinners, and other civic Companies.

The trade or craft guild was also in part a religious guild; it had a patron saint, maintained a chaplain, ministered to the spiritual wants of its members whilst alive, and duly observed their obits and anniversaries when dead.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> A trade or craft guild sometimes embraced more than one religious fraternity, *c.g.*, the Skinners had fraternities in honour of Corpus Christi as well as of the Virgin Mary (will of John Stok, skinner, II. 587).

When, at the beginning of the fourteenth century, it became practically impossible for any craftsman to pursue his calling within the City and liberties unless he first enrolled himself in the guild which had the oversight of his particular craft, art, or mystery,<sup>1</sup> the craft guilds became very strong trade unions. Members had a vested interest in their guild, and something in the nature of *esprit de corps* was kindled among them. We find a tanner who carried on his trade in the Tanners' Seld in Cheapside leaving the table at which he worked to his wife, provided she remained unmarried or married one of the craft.<sup>2</sup> Another testator, by name Laurence Robiout, a member of the Girdlers' Company,<sup>3</sup> leaves his wife a dwelling-house so long as she remain unmarried or shall marry a "mere girdell cutter."<sup>4</sup> Nor is it surprising that members are found leaving considerable property to those associations with which many had been connected from their childhood.

Property so left to the Livery Companies was devised either—

1. Absolutely and unconditionally, or
2. Conditionally.

1. If left absolutely to the only use and behoof of the devisee, the whole of the estate so left is as much the absolute property of the beneficiary Company at the present time, albeit its value may have enormously increased, as the hereditary estate of any wealthy peer in the kingdom. That much real property within the City was so left to the Companies no one who studies the wills enrolled in the Court of Husting can deny,<sup>5</sup> and this accounts in no small measure for the position held by the greater Companies at the present day.

<sup>1</sup> By one of the new articles for the government of the City, which received the sanction of the King in 1319, no inhabitant of the City could be made free of the City except through a "mystery."  
<sup>2</sup> Will of William Mosehache, tanner (II. 135).

<sup>3</sup> The Girdlers also had their seld in Westchepe, or Cheapside. See will of John Potyn, girdler (I. 384).

<sup>4</sup> II. 672.

<sup>5</sup> The customary form of such devises is that the property devised shall be "to the only use and behoof" of the beneficiary Company for evermore. This is

occasionally varied, as in the will of Richard Knyght, fishmonger (1501), who left some real estate in the parish of S. Andrew Undershaft for the "relief and comfort" of members of his Company, as well as for the "recreacion and disport" of themselves and of "suche other as schall please theym to call thither unto theym at all tymes hereafter" (II. 608). Other testators in making similar gifts to their Companies declare that such devises shall not be avoided except by express terms in any subsequent deed or will.

2. If property be left subject to a condition, the effect varies according as to whether the will declares the whole value of the property is to be appropriated in a certain way or only a specific portion of it. This distinction is of the highest importance, more especially in cases where the value of the property devised has since increased. Where, for instance, a citizen has devised lands or tenements and profits of the lands to purposes which at the time exhaust the whole proceeds, but in consequence of an increase in the value of the estate an excess of income subsequently arises, the courts, in their exercise of equitable jurisdiction, will order the excess or surplus to be applied in the same or a similar manner with the original amount.<sup>1</sup> If, on the other hand, he appropriates only specific sums, which at the time of the gift do not exhaust the whole annual value of the property devised, to a certain object, and gives the residue or surplus of the rents to the Company to whom he has devised the legal estate in the property, or makes no disposition of them, the Company is *primâ facie* entitled to the surplus rents, after payment of the specific sums.<sup>2</sup>

A large number of conditional legacies consisted of property left to Companies charged with the maintenance of chantries, lights and lamps, and observance of obits. Property so left was confiscated by the Act (1 Edward VI. c. 14) which seized into the King's hands all fraternities, brotherhoods, and guilds, as well as all free chapels and chantries, being or *in esse* within five years next before the first day of the Parliament in which the Act was passed.<sup>3</sup> This effectually abolished the religious element of the Companies, and deprived them of a large part of their revenues, but it did no more. The secular element, or chartered rights, still remained, and remain at the present day. Thenceforth no citizen could legally make a bequest for a "superstitious use"; he was fain to be content with leaving sums of money for sermons or lectures. As a matter of convenience rather than favour, the Crown allowed the Companies to buy back the rents confiscated under the Act,

<sup>1</sup> Thetford School case, 8 Rep. 131.

<sup>2</sup> Attorney-General v. Mayor, &c., of Southmolton, 5 Ho. of L. Ca. 1.

<sup>3</sup> It will be seen that the flustering

Roll for the first four years of the reign of Edward VI. is unfortunately missing from the series.

and to hold them free of any condition whatsoever.<sup>1</sup> The Corporation of London and the Companies, desiring to "get as good Penyworths as they could of the King," agreed to purchase the rents on the terms offered, the sum paid for their recovery exceeding eighteen thousand pounds. Many of the Companies were unable to provide their share of the purchase money without parting with some portion of their estate.<sup>2</sup>

For many years afterwards the Corporation and the Companies were the objects of suspicion as having "concealed lands," *i. e.*, lands held for superstitious uses, but which they had failed to divulge. It was no uncommon thing for the Crown to grant out "the arrearages of lands given to superstitious uses," and the patentees were naturally zealous to obtain information by every possible means, including the subornation of spies or "concealers," as to the conditions (if any) on which the several Companies held their estates.

In or about the year 1582 the City Companies had occasion to complain to the Court of Aldermen of proceedings having been taken against them in the Court of Exchequer upon informations of intrusion touching certain houses in the City supposed to be

<sup>1</sup> The Report of the Livery Companies Commission, 1884 (vol. i. p. 15), states that "the Companies were.....allowed to redeem the lands on a representation that they were required for the purposes of eleemosynary [*sic*] and educational charities of which they were trustees." This may have been so, but nevertheless it is a fact that no conditions whatever are mentioned in the original letters patent of 14 July, 4 Edward VI., preserved at the Guildhall (Charter Closet, Box 17). It is true that the Companies did employ the greater part, if not the whole, of the rents so purchased on various charitable objects, and this is recognized in the preamble to the private Act of 4 James I. (Kneseworth's case, 2 Beav. 151); but there is no evidence that they were legally, if morally, compelled so to employ the rents. The most that can be adduced in favour of this suggestion is embodied in Mr. F. Vaughan Hawkins's answer to question 4 of the case submitted to him by the Commissioners (vol. i. p. 53), in which he says:—"As to the large Crown grants by

Edward VI. and James I. to the Companies.....it may be true that, taken alone, they do not impose trusts which the Court could enforce; but looking to the recitals of the Act of 4 James I. and the return to Edward VI.'s commissioners, it seems not too much to say that these grants were made upon the representation that the income of the lands granted had been in the past wholly applied to charitable uses, and in the expectation that it would in the future be so applied."

<sup>2</sup> The property which the Companies found it necessary to sell for this purpose being subject to reversions and conditions, with remainders over in case of default, the Corporation and the Companies petitioned the Crown for an Act of Parliament absolving them from the performance of such conditions, and so enabling them to sell what was necessary freely, without any limitations. An exemplification of the petition and of the Act (8 May, 6 Edw. VI.) is preserved in the Charter Closet at the Guildhall (Box 29). Cf. Letter-Book R, fol. 166 b.

concealed lands, the rents of which the late King had received by virtue of the Act before mentioned as being employed to superstitious uses, but had subsequently sold to the several Companies "to the full value of such profits," by whom they had been bestowed in good and charitable uses. The Barons of the Exchequer allowed the Companies as a favour to plead the general issue and to continue in possession on their promising that certain specified wills enrolled in the Husting should be truly copied out and delivered to the parties prosecuting on Her Majesty's behalf.<sup>1</sup> Vexatious proceedings continued to arise under the Act of Edward VI. until the year 1623, when a statute was passed entitled 'An Act for the General Quiet of the Subjects against all Pretences of Concealment whatsoever' (stat. 21 James I. cap. 11).

R. R. S.

The Guildhall, London,  
October, 1890.

<sup>1</sup> 'Remembrancia,' p. 113. The wills specified are those of Simon Adam (II. 615), William Calley (II. 622), John Billesden (II. 635), Elizabeth Burell (II. 604), and John Walpole (I. 563). In more recent times the enrolments of wills in the Court of Husting have frequently been made exhibits in Chancery.

## ERRATA ET CORRIGENDA.

- Introd. p. III, par. 8, for Sir "Andrew" Laxton read Sir *William* Laxton.  
 Introd. p. XLIII, line 12 from top, for "31 Edward I." read 13 *Edward I.*  
 Introd. p. XLV, line 6 from bottom of text, for "II. 657" read II. 656.  
 Introd. p. XLV, line 7 from bottom of text, for "tyllers cases" read "*tyllers*," *cases*.  
 P. 91, will of Ralph de Cantebrugg, line 6 from bottom, for "Alice" read *Juliana*.  
 P. 106, note 1, for "le Poor" in Broad Street read *Paul's Wharf*.  
 P. 174, line 9 from top, for "parish of S. Gregory" read *parish of S. George*.  
 P. 189, line 15 from bottom, for "a period of forty days" read *during the season of Lent*.  
 P. 192, will of Alice Stanton, for "he," "his," &c., read *she, her, &c.*  
 P. 205, note 10, for "Harleston" read *Hellesdon*.  
 P. 208, note 2, for "All Hallows 'upon the Cellar' (or Cellars) or 'the Less'" read *All Hallows the Great*.  
 P. 246, line 5 from bottom of text, for Resurrection "of S. Paul" read *in S. Paul's*.  
 P. 246, line 13 from bottom of text, for "Tolyton" read *Totyton*.  
 P. 286, note 4, for church of "S. Augustine," London Wall, read *All Hallows, London Wall*.  
 P. 317, line 4 from bottom, omit "weighing."  
 P. 344, last line of text, for "Calsely" read *Calseby*.  
 P. 401, last line, for "Amia" read *Ann*.  
 P. 465, will of John Joye, line 2, for "William Brunse" read *Thomas Bruuse*.  
 P. 528, will of Cristiana Ongham, line 4 from top, for "chantry of the Vernacle" read *the chaplain appointed to the chantry*.  
 P. 670, line 15 from top, for "tyllers cases" read "*tyllers*," *cases*.  
 P. 705, line 8 from top, for "S. Jones's" read *S. Jones*.  
 P. 713, will of Waynam or Wayman, insert Christian name of testator (*Robert*).  
 P. 726, note 2, line 1, after the word "testator" add *together with a free grammar school*.  
 Index, p. 809, insert "*Clare*, co. Suffolk, bequest to church of, 294."  
 Index, p. 867, under "*Newenton* (Newington, co. Surrey)," insert "parish of S. Mary de, 370."





# CALENDAR OF WILLS

ENROLLED IN

## THE COURT OF HUSTING, LONDON.

ANNO 32 EDWARD III.

A.D.  
1357-8.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Wandalesworth** (WILLIAM DE), corder.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Paul of the greater Pardon (*maioris venie*). Bequests to the church of All Hallows at the Hay and ministers thereof. Forty pence to be distributed around his corpse on the day of his burial. To Alianora his sister he leaves twenty shillings, to Henry and John his apprentices and Thomas his kinsman divers gowns, and to Johanna his servant twenty shillings. The residue of his goods and all his tenements he leaves to Alice his wife and his children in equal portions. Dated London, Saturday next before the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.], A.D. 1357.

Roll 86 (14).

*Monday next after the Feast of Ascension [10 May].*

A.D.  
1358.

**Aubrey** (ANDREW), pepperer.—To Johanna his wife certain tenements in the parishes of S. Mary de Aldermariecherche and S. Thomas the Apostle, and certain others which he had by sale and grant of John Chaucer, brother<sup>1</sup> and executor of Thomas Heyroun, late vintner, in the aforesaid parish of S. Mary; also tenements and rents in Milkestrete, parish of S. Laurence

<sup>1</sup> Strictly speaking half-brother. See | directing John le Chaucer to sell his  
note to will of Richard Chaucer, Part I. | estate for discharge of debts, Part I.  
p. 590. See also will of Thomas Hayron, | p. 544.

A.D.  
1358.

Jewry, and the parish of All Hallows de Bredstrete for life, with remainder to John his son in tail; remainder as to part in trust for sale for the good of his soul and the souls of Roger his father, Dionisia his mother, Thomas de Enefelde, and others; remainder as to another part to Thomas Aubrey his kinsman in tail. To the chaplains whom he has appointed, in his will of movable goods, to pray for him in the chapel which he recently built adjoining the church of S. Antonin he leaves the mansion which he was permitted to build by licence from Sir John de Hicchen, late rector of the said church, and certain parishioners.<sup>1</sup> Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves his leasehold interest in the manor of Westchalke, co. Kent, which he had from Sir John de Cobeham, Knt. Witnesses to the will John Nott and Henry Lacy, "grossers." Dated London, 3 October, 23 Edward III. [A.D. 1349]. Roll 86 (43).

*Monday the Morrow of H. Trinity [27 May].*

Useflete<sup>2</sup> (THOMAS DE), Dean of S. Martin le Grand.—For the repair of the cloister of the chapel of S. Martin, London, he leaves twenty-four cows and one bull bought by his own money and kept on his manor of Godeiestre;<sup>3</sup> and also his tenement in the parish of S. Benedict [Paul's Wharf] for increasing the sacristan's portion and for masses, &c., provided this gift be rendered valid by the common seal of the chapter, otherwise the same is to go to the Hospital of S. Mary, London. Pecuniary bequests to Margaret, relict of John his brother, Agnes de Warwyk, and John Harpur. For the repair of the chancel of Neuport he leaves forty shillings, and to the Holy Land ten pounds, for securing which latter he wills that the said money be delivered to collectors of rents and other things for the Holy Land, pledging them upon peril of their souls not to convert the same to other use. The residue of his goods he leaves to be expended by his executors for the good of his soul. Dated the morrow of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.], A.D. 1348.

Roll 86 (49).

<sup>1</sup> This licence was granted by deed dated Friday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.], A.D. 1347, and enrolled in the Court of Husting, Roll 75 (85).

<sup>2</sup> At one time Keeper of the King's Wardrobe. Exchanged the church of

Davy-Norton for the Deanery of S. Martin le Grand in 1345 (Newcourt's 'Repertorium,' i. 426; Kempe's 'Hist. Notices of Collegiate Church of S. Martin le Grand,' pp. 105-6).

<sup>3</sup> Good-Easter, co. Essex.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

A.D.  
1358.

**Nichol (WILLIAM).**—His goods and chattels movable to be divided into three parts, one part of which is to go to Felicia his wife; another to his child *en ventre sa mère*, if so be his wife is *enceinte* at the time of making his will; and the residue to be devoted to pious uses. His tenement in Smethefeld to be sold and the proceeds disposed of as above. Dated London, 10 October, A.D. 1355. Roll 86 (52).

**Pole (ADAM DE LA),** “stokfishmongere.”—To be buried in the church of S. Michael de la Crokedelane under the stone where lies Katherine his wife. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; to the poor in divers hospitals; to prisoners in Neugate, Templebarre, and the Flete; to poor lazars without Suthwerkbarre and at Hakeneye; to the poor sisters in the house of S. Katherine near the Tower, and to every anchorite in London. Provision made for conducting his obsequies, and for chantries in the aforesaid church for the souls of himself, his wife, Ralph his father, and others. To Walter his son he leaves a tenement in Thames Street in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid in tail; remainder to Amy his sister for life; remainders to Katherine and Johanna, daughters of Walter de Mordon, in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds to be divided among all the daughters of the said Walter. The aforesaid tenement to be charged with an annual rent of half a mark for the maintenance of tapers to burn on the five days of S. Mary, the feasts of Easter, Pentecost, S. John the Baptist, S. Michael, All Saints, and the Nativity of our Lord, and on their respective vigils. Also to the aforesaid Walter his son he leaves sixty pounds sterling, the same to remain, together with his said son, in the custody of Walter de Mordon, and after the decease of the said Walter de Mordon in the custody of John Lovekyn. Should his said son die a minor the aforesaid sum of money is to be divided among Katherine, Johanna, and Margaret, daughters of the said Walter de Mordon, *pro ratâ*. Among other bequests he leaves also to the aforesaid Katherine four casks of woad<sup>1</sup> which Thomas, the apprentice of

<sup>1</sup> *Quatuor dolia Wysyde*. Woad was commonly imported from Normandy and Picardy for dyeing purposes ('Lib. Cust.,' Rolls Series, Glossary, s.v. "Wesda").

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Walter de Mordon, bought for the testator at Amyas;<sup>1</sup> and one hundred shillings to be kept in a box in the church aforesaid in the care of two honest parishioners for the repair of a candelabre. Dated London, 21 April, A.D. 1349. Roll 86 (53).

*Monday the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Drayton** (JOHN DE), tailor.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard near the cross where lies the body of Agnes his late wife. Bequests to the church of S. Paul, for funeral expenses, and for chantries in the church of S. Edmund the King in Lumbardestret, to which church, among other bequests, he leaves a chalice weighing thirty shillings. To the Fraternity of S. John,<sup>2</sup> of which the testator is a member, he leaves ten shillings. To Margaret his wife for life his tenement called "la Belle" in Bercheverlane, parish of S. Edmund, the same to remain, under certain conditions, to Dyonisia his daughter, wife of William Morewode, in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. To Thomas his brother his best gown. His corner tenement in Lumbardestret to be sold, and the proceeds to go to Margaret his wife and John his son in equal portions. Guardians appointed for his said son. To Salomon de Wynton for life tenements in Berchevereslane aforesaid; remainder to Dyonisia, the testator's daughter, in tail; remainder to pious uses. Dated London, 17 April, 32 Edward III. [A.D. 1358]. Roll 86 (59).

**Adami** (JOHN) de Montchesney, apothecary.—Leaves to his wife [not named] whatever is due to her by the custom or law of the country; also her chamber, with jewels and clothes. To Sir Guelf his brother one hundred pounds sterling. Jaket his nephew to be remunerated for his good and long service. Bequests to the rector of the parish church of S. Stephen de Walbroch, to the poor, and other pious and charitable uses at the discretion of his executors. Appoints William and John his sons and Katherine his daughter his heirs, and certain citizens and merchants of Lucca his trustees (*fidei commissarios*) for recovering choses in action, &c. Desires this his last will to take effect by

<sup>1</sup> Amiens.

<sup>2</sup> The tailors of London formed them-

| selves into a guild or fraternity, having  
| S. John the Baptist for its patron saint.

way of testament or codicils,<sup>1</sup> or in any other way as may be most effectual. Dated London, at the house of the testator near the church of S. Stephen de Walbrok, 20 May, A.D. 1358, XI. Pontifical Indiction.

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Afterwards, viz., on 21 May, the testator by codicil gave to Alice his natural daughter ten pounds sterling; to John atte Done his servant ten marks; and released his apprentices from further service. Also on 22 May he expressed a wish that Sir Thomas [Blundell], the rector of the church of S. Stephen aforesaid, should act with his executors in executing the foregoing for the good of his soul.

Whereupon came John de Triple, fishmonger, and put his claim upon the aforesaid testament.

Roll 86 (60).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Fraunceys**<sup>2</sup> (SIMON), mercer.—To Thomas his son lands, tenements, and rents in the parish of S. Mary de Wolcherchawe in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. To Elys Fraunceys, mercer, all his lands, tenements, and rents in the parishes of S. Olave in the Jewry and S. Stephen Colmanstret in tail, with similar remainder. And whereas he had already given to Alice his daughter and the heirs of her body his lands, tenements, and rents opposite *la Ledenhalle* in the parish of S. Peter upon Cornhill, he wills that in case she die without such heirs the same be sold and the proceeds devoted to the good of his soul, the souls of his father and mother, and of all Christians in purgatory. Dated London, 19 May, A.D. 1358. Roll 86 (87).

*Monday the Morrow of the Feast of S. Mary Magdalen [22 July].*

**Scharpes** (EVA).—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Mary atte Hull. To the ministers, &c., of the said parish church sums of money, and to the high altar of the said church two cushions (*servicalia*) worked with silk (*de syndone*), and two towels. Her tenement at Oystergate to be sold to pay her debts and for maintenance of a chantry. To Agnes, wife of Roger Scharpes, Roger her servant, Agnes her sister, John Scharp, Robert Scharp,

<sup>1</sup> Codicil, originally a small will. | <sup>2</sup> Sheriff, 1328; Mayor, 1342 and 1355.

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Alan Scharp, and others, she leaves divers household goods, comprising mazer cups, feather beds, sheets and chalons, silver spoons, &c. To each of her executors forty pence for their trouble. Dated London, Tuesday next before the Feast of S. Gregory [12 March], A.D. 1348. Roll 86 (90).

**St. Maur** (LAURENCE de), Rector of the church of Heygham Ferers.<sup>1</sup>—To Alan, Thomas, and Nicholas de St. Maur his nephews he leaves all his houses in London in successive tail; remainder to Laurence de St. Martin. No date. Roll 86 (91).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Wodehalle** (WILLIAM) of Henele,<sup>2</sup> diocese of Lincoln and diocese of London.—To be buried in the church of Henele. Bequests to the mother church of Lincoln, the mother church of London, the college of secular priests of S. Paul's, London, the repair of the churches of Hestone<sup>3</sup> and Henele, and to various chaplains and others. Isabella his wife and executrix to sell his tenement in the parish of All Hallows de Stannchirche, and divide the proceeds between the conventual house of Thame,<sup>4</sup> the convent of Westminster, and the conventual house of Merton.<sup>5</sup> The residue of his property to be disposed of for the good of his soul by his aforesaid wife as she shall answer for it before God at the Great Judgment. Dated Henele, Wednesday next before Passion Sunday [2 April], A.D. 1357. Roll 86 (110).

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*Monday next after Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

**St. Maur** or **Seymour** (THOMAS DE), Knt.—To be buried in the Priory of Poulton,<sup>6</sup> under a plain marble stone, in the new church before the high altar when made. For the new work of Poulton he leaves his large hostel in London in the parish of S. Peter in Bradestrete. To William Strocky, rector of the church

<sup>1</sup> Co. Northampton.<sup>2</sup> Henley on Thames.<sup>3</sup> Near Osterley Park, Brentford.<sup>4</sup> Co. Oxford.<sup>5</sup> Co. Surrey.<sup>6</sup> Or Fulton, co. Wilts. A Gilbertine Priory founded by the testator *circa* 21 Edward III. (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.', p. 611).

of Eton Meisy,<sup>1</sup> ten marks, one of his best girdles, and a foal of his grey Hampton mare which is at Cheleworth<sup>2</sup> (*unum pullanum de iumento graieto de Hampton qui est apud Cheleworth*); and to Thomas, Vicar of Lacok,<sup>3</sup> ten marks and a foal "Bauson"<sup>4</sup> of his black Hampton mare at the same place. To John de Stokes, Knt., his small hostel near Fletbrigge in London. Dated Sunday next after the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.], A.D. 1357.

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Afterwards there came Nicholas Seymore and put his claim upon the said testament as to a tenement therein devised, &c.

Roll 87 (1).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Scolastica, Virgin [10 Feb.].*

**Avebury** (ROBERT DE), clerk, Registrar of the Court of Canterbury.—To be buried in Pardon Churchyard (*cimiterio indulgentiarum*) of S. Paul's Church near the tomb of Milicent his wife. To John his son he leaves his tenement in Ivy Lane in the parish of S. Faith in the Crypt (*in scrippis*) in tail; remainder to William his son in tail; remainder to Johanna his daughter in fee. Dated London, 27 January, A.D. 1358. Roll 87 (10).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

**Depham** (ROGER DE), Alderman<sup>5</sup> of London.—To be buried in the church of S. Swythyn in Candelwykstret, before the altar of SS. Katherine and Margaret, near Margaret his wife. All his lands, tenements, and rents in the City of London he leaves to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the said City and their successors for ever, so that they provide chantries for the good of his soul, the souls of Thomas his father, Agnes his mother, his wife, and others, the said chantries to be in the church of S. Swythyn aforesaid and in the chapel of S. Mary adjoining the Guildhall. Directions follow as to the right of presentation of chantry priests and other particulars relating to the aforesaid chantries, ten shillings being left to the Mayor or Warden of the City for the time being, and half a mark to the Recorder,

<sup>1</sup> Co. Wilts.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Wilts.

<sup>3</sup> Laycock, co. Wilts.

<sup>4</sup> Piebald, black and white. *Baucens* or *Bausant*, "cheval marqué de taches noires et blanches" (Du Cange, Sup.).

<sup>5</sup> Of what ward uncertain. One of the same name, if not identical with the testator, was elected Common Clerk (or Town Clerk) of the City anno 9 Edward III. (Letter-Book E, fol. 4\*).

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annually for superintending and maintaining the same. Dated London, 10 January, A.D. 1358. Roll 87 (20).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Carpenter (PHILIP).**—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Dionisius de Bakcherch near Grascherche. To Sir Richard de Brineston,<sup>1</sup> rector of the said church, and to Giles de Kelseye, tapicer, he leaves a messuage in Lymstrete near the place called “la lendenhalle”; also to Richard Turri and Johanna, wife of the same, two shops in the same street. To Alice his wife for life all his lands and tenements in the City and suburbs of London, with remainder to Alice and Cristina his daughters for their lives; remainder to John his son in fee. Dated London, 23 February, A.D. 1358. Roll 87 (27).

**Wyrcestre (WILLIAM DE), senior, “felmongere.”**—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. John de Walbrok near the body of Alice his late wife. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; to the fabric of S. Paul’s Church; the five orders of friars in London; the canons of H. Trinity towards Algate; the sisters of the New Abbey without Algate; the nuns of S. Elena; the Hospital of S. Bartholomew; the nuns of Clerkenewelle, Stratford, Halywell, &c. Provision made for maintenance of chantries in the aforesaid church of S. John for the space of five years next after his decease. To Agnes his wife by way of dower of all his goods movable he leaves sixty pounds sterling and the third part of all his rents and tenements in the City and suburbs for life, as the law requires and allows; also to the same for life shops in the parishes of S. Mildred in the Poultry and S. Laurence Jewry; remainder to William his son in tail; remainder to Johanna his daughter. Also to the said son the rest of his lands and tenements in tail, with remainder to his said daughter. To the three daughters of John de Swalclyve and of Agnes, wife of the said John, the testator’s daughter, twenty pounds sterling in equal portions. Guardians appointed for William his aforesaid son. Pecuniary bequests to Roger his brother and John, son of the same; Matilda Hervy his niece and servant; William, son of

<sup>1</sup> Newcourt gives Richard “Grimston” as rector in 1350 (‘Repertorium,’ p. 330).



John his brother, Thomas his cook, and others. Dated London, 6 February, A.D. 1358. A.D.  
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Roll 87 (39).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan [19 May].* A.D.  
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**Staundon**<sup>1</sup> (JOHANNA DE), late wife of Ralph de Toudeby.—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas Hacon, to which church she makes bequests of money. Idonia, wife of William de Staundon her brother, appointed guardian of Agnes her daughter, and of tenements in the parishes of S. Nicholas Hacon, All Hallows de Bredstrete, and S. Peter de Wodestrete, until her said daughter come of age or marry. Dated London, 9 May, A.D. 1349.

Whereupon came Henry de Padyngton and Johanna his wife and put their claim upon the said testament as to tenements and rents devised therein, &c.

Roll 87 (53).

*Monday the Feast of S. Mary Magdalen [22 July].*

**Martyn** (JOHN).—To be buried in the church of Allhallows at the Hay. To Sarah his daughter for her marriage he leaves a sum of money and divers household goods, his said daughter being placed under the guardianship of Peter Sterre, who is to give security for the same. To Margery his wife one hundred marks, her entire chamber, and a cup of one pearl (*de uno perle*) called "Cokyld," with silver bands and stand and cover of silver, and two leather bags (*cophinis de coreo*); also his tenements in the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhull for life, with remainder to his aforesaid daughter in tail; remainder to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, Saturday, 2 March, A.D. 1358.

Whereupon came Peter Vivian and put his claim upon the aforesaid testament, &c.

Roll 87 (67).

*Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and Con. [13 Oct.].*

**Grandissono** (OTTO DE), Knt.—To be buried in the collegiate church of S. Mary de Otery<sup>2</sup> in the diocese of Exeter, to the warden and canons of which and their successors he leaves all his lands,

<sup>1</sup> The testatrix appears to have resumed her family name after the decease of her husband, just as a woman who has twice married and lost both hus- | bands occasionally resumed her first husband's name.

<sup>2</sup> Ottery St. Mary, co. Devon.

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tenements, and rents in the parishes of S. Dunstan towards the Tower and S. Margaret Patyns, for the maintenance of chantries. Beatrix his wife made one of his executors. Dated London, 1 March, A.D. 1354. Roll 87 (86).

**Gyrdeler** (MARTIN LE). — To be buried in the church of S. Sepulchre without Neugate near the tomb of Margaret his late wife. Bequests to the fabric and ministers of the said church. To John his son, chaplain, he bequeaths divers goods and chattels, including basins and ewers, cups, spoons, tablecloths, a *possenet*,<sup>1</sup> a *sanenap*,<sup>2</sup> two *aundernes*,<sup>3</sup> an iron *plate*, and a folding table.<sup>4</sup> To Philip le Gurdlere twenty shillings; and to Johanna, the testator's sister, twenty shillings. Provision made for chantries in the aforesaid church of S. Sepulchre for the good of his soul and the souls of Margaret his wife, Juliana and Margery his sisters, Walter and Agnes his father and mother. Dated London, Wednesday the morrow of S. George [23 April], A.D. 1359.

Roll 87 (92).

**Algate** (THOMAS DE), Rector of the church of Scherryngge<sup>5</sup> in the diocese of London.—To be buried in the churchyard of H. Trinity within Algate near his father and mother. To his brother Sir Nicholas, the Prior of H. Trinity aforesaid, and convent of the same, and his successors he leaves tenements and rents in the parishes of S. Katherine within Algate, S. Andrew upon Cornhull, and S. Botolph without Algate. To Hugh, son of John le Skynnere, ten pounds sterling. The residue of his goods, movable and immovable, he leaves to the aforesaid prior for pious uses. Dated London, Saturday the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.], A.D. 1358.

Roll 87 (93).

*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

**Refham** (JOHN DE), fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Mildred the Virgin in Bredestret, before the rood, near Sarah his late wife. Bequests to the fabric of, and to the light of the Blessed Mary in, the said church, as well as to ministers therein; to divers orders of friars within London; to lepers and sick in

<sup>1</sup> A small basin or porringer.<sup>2</sup> Or savenap, a napkin.<sup>3</sup> Andirons or fire-dogs.<sup>4</sup> For memoranda or accounts.<sup>5</sup> Sheering, co. Essex, now in the diocese of Rochester.

the hospitals, and other charitable objects. Further bequests of money or goods to Hugh Brown, late his apprentice; Margaret, daughter of Isabella de Redyng; William Onewyne, brewer, and others. To the church of S. Mildred aforesaid he leaves a cup with silver-gilt covercle, for carrying the body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. His dwelling-house in Bredestret to be sold and the proceeds to be devoted to the maintenance of chantries in the aforesaid church, the making of gifts to the poor, and the repair of the high roads within twenty miles' circuit of the City. Bequests to anchorites near London. To Thomas Frere a silver cup with three *greynes*.<sup>1</sup> Dated London, 15 July, 33 Edward III. [A.D. 1359].

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Roll 87 (102).

**Cauntebrigge (STEPHEN DE).**—To Amicia his wife, by way of dower and in respect of any action at law she might bring respecting his tenements and rents, he leaves all his tenements in S. Vedast Lane in the parish of S. Leonard for life; remainder to Ydonea his daughter in tail. Also to his said daughter certain rents in the aforesaid parish and in the parish of All Hallows de Bredstret, together with a bed, mattress, and sheets. To John his son he leaves rents and shops in Goderonelane in the parish of S. Vedast aforesaid, and in Grobbestret in the parish of S. Giles without Crepilgate; and to Thomas his son shops in the first-mentioned parish. His wife appointed guardian of his son Thomas up to the age of twelve years. Also to his said wife and daughter he leaves divers household chattels, including a Flemish chest, silver spoons, cups, *bedes* of *arumbre*, and also a cart bound with iron (*carectam cum ferro ligatam*). To John his son a portifory,<sup>2</sup> a chalice, and a white vestment with three towels. Dated Saturday the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.], A.D. 1358.

At a later court Thomas Hyngeston, goldsmith, came and put his claim upon the aforesaid testament.

Roll 87 (103).

*Monday next after the Feast of Conception of V. Mary [8 Dec.].*

**Belegrave (WILLIAM DE),** Rector of the moiety of the church of

<sup>1</sup> *Greynes* (1), or engravings.

<sup>2</sup> A breviary for carrying about; sometimes called "Portehors."

**A.D.** Minsterton.<sup>1</sup>—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Mary  
**1359.** Magdalen near Eldefisshstrete. Bequests to the high altar of the said church. To Isabella de Kent certain rents in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid, at the corner of Dolittellane. To Agata his daughter one hundred shillings. The residue of his goods he leaves to Sir Peter de Belegrove, Rector of the church of Bleuenham,<sup>2</sup> for payment of his debts and for the benefit of his soul. Dated London, in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid, Friday next after the Feast of S. Wolstan, Bishop [19 Jan.], A.D. 1358.

Roll 87 (112).

**A.D.** *Monday next before the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*  
**1359-60.**

**Frethebek** (THOMAS DE), saddler.—To be buried in the church of S. Vedast, to which church and ministers thereof he leaves sums of money. His tenement in Goderounlane to be sold for pious uses. To Alice his wife for life all his tenements in London; remainder to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 1 December, A.D. 1359.

Roll 87 (126).

**Sefoul** (JOHN), tanner.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Botolph without Aldrichesgate, on the spot ordained by him. Bequests to the church of S. Botolph aforesaid for tapers, &c. To Nicholas, son of Vincent Sefoul his late brother, John Peyntour, Henry de Clifton, Thomas Lillowe, and others, he leaves sums of money and chattels, including basins and ewers, linen and woollen cloths, a coat of russet, and a black cloak. To Robert Sefoul his son all his tenements and rents in the parish of S. Giles without Crepelgate; and to Johanna his daughter and Henry de Clifton her husband his principal tenement in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid for their lives; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses in the said parish church. Dated London, in the parish of S. Botolph, the Feast of S. Gregory [12 March], A.D. 1353.

Roll 87 (127).

**Derham** (JOHN DE), Chandler.—To be buried in the church of S. Magnus the Martyr, Briggstret, to which church and ministers thereof he leaves sums of money. Provision also made

<sup>1</sup> Misterton, co. Linc.

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<sup>2</sup> Blunham, co. Beds.

for the maintenance of chantries in the said church. Bequests to the five orders of friars in London, the poor in the hospitals, the prisoners in Neugate, the lepers at *le lokes* near Bermondeseye, the lepers at Hakeneye, and in the hospitals of S. Giles without Holborn and S. James near Westminster. To John his son, Johanna, Juliana, and Agnes his daughters, he leaves forty pounds respectively. Cecilia his wife to have the custody of his said children and of their goods so long as she remain a widow; but if she marry again, she and her husband are to give security for restoring to the children their property on coming of age or marriage, and for their proper maintenance in the mean time. Dated London, 2 October, A.D. 1359.

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Roll 87 (128).

Madeford (WILLIAM DE), "sharman."<sup>1</sup> — To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard near the tomb of his wife. Bequests to the church of All Hallows de Honylane and to the parish chaplain of the same. To his children [not named] he leaves sums of money, cups of silver and of mazer, four best shears, two feather beds, a brass pot and basin. To Katherine his daughter one coat and one *curtepy* of black *medlet*.<sup>2</sup> To Robert his son a party robe of blue and red (*de blueto et de chaump rubeo*). To Walter his apprentice his leasehold interest in tenements in the said parish of All Hallows held under the Prioress of Haliwell. Dated London, Tuesday the Vigil of the Annunciation of B.V. Mary [25 March], A.D. 1348.

Roll 87 (130).

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### ANNO 35 EDWARD III.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

Chaumpeneys (WILLIAM), baker.—To be buried in the church of S. Thomas the Apostle. Bequests to the churches and ministers of S. Mary de Fanchirche and S. Thomas aforesaid; to various religious orders, the Hospital of S. Mary without Bysshopesgate,

<sup>1</sup> A sheerman, or shearer of the nap | <sup>2</sup> A short cloak made of some dark  
of cloth. | mixed material (*medley*).

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and the work of S. Paul's Church. Provision made for chantries in the said church of S. Thomas for the good of his soul, and the souls of Agnes and Alice his wives, and others out of the issues and profits of a certain tenement in the parish of S. Thomas, which tenement so charged he leaves to John atte Welde and Isabella, wife of the same, his daughter, in tail; remainder to the rector of the said parish church and his successors for ever. To Robert Chaumpeneys and to the aforesaid Isabella, as well as to John his son and Agnes, Idonea, Marion, and Cecilia his daughters, and to Juliana, daughter of John Chaumpeneys his son, and others, he leaves sums of money and household goods. To Sir William, the rector of the aforesaid church of S. Thomas, the residue of all his movable goods and chattels for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, Friday next after the Feast of Nativity of S. John Baptist [24 June], A.D. 1360.

The same day came the aforesaid John Chaumpeneys and put his claim upon the aforesaid testament.

Roll 89 (7).

**Grenestede** (RICHARD DE).—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Mary atte Hull. To Alice his wife his dwelling-house near Billynggesgate for life; remainder to pious and charitable uses. Also to his said wife for life his share in certain ships; and after her decease the same to remain in the custody of William de Taleworth in trust for the maintenance of John his son. Dated London, Tuesday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March], A.D. 1348.

Roll 89 (13).

*Monday the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

**Selvestone** (NICHOLAS DE), fishmonger.—His tenements in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen at Lamberdyschel he leaves to the heirs of the bodies of Ralph de Bromle and Alice, wife of the same, daughter of Henry Kyngessone, lawfully begotten, and to no heir of the said Alice by any second husband she may marry during the lifetime of her first husband, unless she be separated from her first husband by ecclesiastical authority before marrying her second; remainder, in default of such heirs, to the heirs of Henry Kyngessone, late fishmonger; remainder to pious

and charitable uses. Dated London, Tuesday the morrow of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.], A.D. 1359. Roll 89 (14). A.D.  
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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Aungre** (WILLIAM DE), citizen and marshal of London.—To be buried in the church of S. John Evangelist, to which church and ministers thereof he makes bequests of rents and tenements in Estchepe, parish of S. Leonard, for the maintenance of chantries for the good of his soul, the souls of Mariota and Elizabeth his wives, and of John de Kyngeston and Custance, wife of the same; and in default of such chantries being maintained, the same to go to the maintenance of London Bridge. To the old and new work of the church of S. Paul twenty shillings. The residue of his goods he leaves to Richard, son of Elizabeth his late wife, and to Matilda, sister of the said Elizabeth, in equal portions. Dated London, 10 May, A.D. 1360. Roll 89 (24).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Brix** (ELENA, relict of THOMAS) de Fletestrete.—All her tenements in Fletestrete to be sold, and the proceeds distributed in pious uses and to the chaplains in the church of S. Brigid. Her leasehold interest in the hostel of the Abbot of Teukisbiri to be also sold for pious uses. Dated London, 28 February, 35 Edward III. [A.D. 1360-1]. Roll 89 (25).

**Zippegrave** (THOMAS DE), goldsmith.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard near the tomb of John his late brother. Bequests to the church of S. Augustine at the Gate. Five round wax tapers, each weighing four pounds, to burn around his corpse, and after the day of his month<sup>2</sup> (*post diem mensis mee*) the same to remain in the said church of S. Augustine for so long a time as they will last. Pecuniary legacies to John and Andrew his sons, to the latter of whom he leaves one great *anefeld* and one small *anefeld*, twelve small hammers (*marciolos*<sup>3</sup>), [and] another

<sup>1</sup> Or farrier. The ordinances of the Farriers (*Articuli Marechallorum*) are set out in Riley's 'Memorials,' pp. 292-295, from Letter-Book G of the City Records, fol. 130 b.

<sup>2</sup> Or the thirtieth day after his decease, when a commemorative service was commonly held, known as the "month's mind."

<sup>3</sup> *Marculus* = a hammer.

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*anefeld.* All the implements of his craft to be divided equally between his said sons, to whom he also leaves divers household goods. To Johanna his sister forty shillings. To Alice his wife the residue of his movable goods, and three shops which the testator acquired from the executors of William de Caxstone in a certain "Aleye" in the parish of S. Augustine aforesaid, to hold to the said Alice, her heirs and assigns.<sup>1</sup> Also to his said wife his leasehold interest in shops in Westchepe. Dated London, Tuesday the Vigil of the Feast of Epiphany [6 Jan.], A.D. 1360.

Roll 89 (33).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. George [23 April].*

**Grenewych** (HUGH DE), chaplain.—To the Abbess and Sisters Minoresses without Algate, in aid of their vesture, he leaves certain rents in the parish of S. Giles without Crepelgate, left to him by Alexander his father, and released to him by John his brother. Dated London, Thursday the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July], A.D. 1359.

Roll 89 (39).

**Cauntebrigge** (IDONIA, daughter of STEPHEN DE).—To be buried in the churchyard of Donemowe<sup>2</sup> near her father. Bequests for covering the said church and to the ministers thereof. To Avice her mother she leaves certain rents in the parishes of All Hallows de Bredstret and S. Faster<sup>3</sup> for life; remainder to Thomas her brother. Dated London, 12 September, A.D. 1359.

Roll 89 (41).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mark, Evangelist [25 April].*

**Ryvel** (JOHN), Knt.....And in case Johanna his wife be *enceinte*, and the infant be a male, he gives her his hostel in London in fee; and if the infant be a female, the said hostel is to be sold for the said infant's marriage; and if there be no infant his wife is to enjoy the same for life; remainder to pious uses. No date.

Roll 89 (56).

**Atte Gate** (SYMON), butcher.—To be buried in S. Thomas's

<sup>1</sup> A devise to a widow of an estate in fee, contrary to the custom.

<sup>2</sup> Dunmow, co. Essex.

<sup>3</sup> S. Vedast or Vaster.



Chapel in the church of S. Nicholas at the Shambles, in a tomb lately made at his expense. Requests to the said church and ministers thereof for tithes and offerings forgotten or withheld. To Walter and John, sons of Johanna his daughter, he leaves ten pounds of silver respectively. To Agnes his daughter shops in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes his late wife and others; also the sum of twenty pounds sterling, a piece of silver, and twelve silver spoons. Johanna his wife appointed guardian of his said daughter, she giving security at the Guildhall for fulfilment of duties; and in case of the decease of his said wife, other guardians appointed. Requests of money and goods to John, son of Adam Langeleye, and Symon, son of Richard atte Gate, his godsons; to Henry and Henry (*sic*) his brewers, his domestic servants, and others. Dated London, 2 December, A.D. 1360. Roll 89 (57).

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**Sorel** (AGNES, daughter of RICHARD).—Her tenement in the parish of S. Michael le Quern to be sold for pious and charitable uses for the good of her soul, the souls of Richard her father, Cecilia her mother, and others. Dated London, 22 April, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (58).

**Scarnyngge** (ALAN DE), clerk.—To be buried in the conventual church of H. Trinity within Algate. To Emma his wife he leaves a tenement and shops in the parish of S. Botolph without Alderychegate for life; remainder to the Prior and Convent of H. Trinity, London, charged with the payment of ten marks to Alice his daughter for her marriage. Dated London, 4 May, A.D. 1348. Roll 89 (59).

**Mimmes** (JOHN), tanner.—To be buried in the chancel of S. John in the church of S. Sepulchre without Newgate, to which church and ministers thereof he leaves divers sums of money. His executors to provide five wax tapers, each of seven pounds weight, to burn around his corpse on the day of his obit and of his month.<sup>1</sup> To John his son he leaves tenements in Wendagein-

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 15.

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lane, together with his leaden and wooden troughs therein; and also his stall in Tannerseld. Provision made for a chantry in the church of S. Sepulchre aforesaid. The residue of his goods to be divided into two parts, whereof he leaves one part to John his aforesaid son, and the other for pious uses. To William Mosach or Musach twenty shillings. Dated London, Wednesday the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.], A.D. 1360.

Roll 89 (60).

**Kent** (WALTER DE), clerk, late corder. — To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard, called "Perdonechirchehaghe," near the tomb of his mother. Bequests to the church of S. Dunstan Est, whereof he is a parishioner, and to the ministers thereof; also for wax tapers, one to be placed at his head, another at his feet, and a third upon his corpse, the said tapers to be afterwards presented, one to the said church of S. Dunstan, another to the church of S. Peter the Less near Paul's Wharf, where his father was buried, and the third to S. Paul's Church. Three hundred masses to be said for the good of his soul, and the souls of John his father, Agnes his mother, and others, namely, one hundred *de beata Maria*, one hundred *de Sancto Spiritu*, and one hundred *de Trinitate*. Also to the aforesaid church of S. Peter the Less he leaves all his tenements in the parish of S. Giles without Cripulgate in *le Vorestret* and *le Morestret*, and also in the parish of S. Dunstan towards the Tower, on condition that a chantry be maintained in the said church of S. Peter, the presentation to the said chantry being with the Mayor of the City of London in case of default. Dated London, Sunday, *Quasi modo geniti*<sup>1</sup> [4 April], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (61).

*Monday next after the Feast of Ascension* [6 May].

**Farndon**<sup>2</sup> (NICHOLAS DE), goldsmith. — To be buried in the

<sup>1</sup> Latin name for Low Sunday or the Sunday next after Easter Day; so called from the introit. Cf. a deed dated *die martis post festum quod cantatur quasi modo geniti*—Hnst. Roll 76 (171).

<sup>2</sup> Grandson of Nicholas de Farndon, Alderman of the ward of that name, whose will appears in Part I. of this Calendar, p. 397. Stow confounds these

two individuals; and this confusion becomes worse confounded by the present editor having in Part I. wrongly called the testator "son" of the former Nicholas instead of "grandson," he being son of Roysia his daughter. The mistake is placed among the *Errata*, and is also corrected in the Index to Part I.

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church of S. Peter in Chepe. Certain tenements in Thames Street in the parish of S. Laurence *en le Est*, and rents in the parish of All Hallows the Less, to be devoted to the maintenance of a chantry for the souls of Nicholas de Farndon his grandfather (*sic*) and of Rosia his mother and others in the said church of S. Peter, and the surplus, after due maintenance of the same, to be in aid of the work of the said church. To Robert his son he leaves tenements in the parishes of S. Peter aforesaid, S. Michael in Wodestrete, and S. Vedast in tail, subject to certain charges for the maintenance of wax in the testator's mortuary chapel; his said son to be under the care of William de Berkyng throughout his life if he should become mad, or be judged so in law, in which case he is to be supplied with everything as becomes his station in life, being allowed a servant and a horse and suitable apparel. After the decease of the said William his son is to be placed under the care of one of the wardens of the Goldsmiths, together with all his property, so that the said warden enjoy the profits of the same, subject to the maintenance of his said son. In default of heirs of the body of his said son the aforesaid tenements are to remain to Katherine his sister for life; remainder to Rosia and Katherine her daughters in tail; remainder to pious uses. Also to Robert his aforesaid son he leaves tenements in the parishes of S. Dunstan in Flete-stret and S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate in tail, with similar remainders. Dated London, 20 April, A.D. 1361.

Whereupon came Thomas de Farnedon, son and heir of Thomas de Farnedon, goldsmith, and put his claim upon the above testament.

Roll 89 (66).

Wycombe (RICHARD DE), corder.—To be buried in the church of All Hallows at the Hay, to which he leaves sums of money for maintenance of chaplains, &c. Instructions for the disposition of wax torches at his funeral. His executors to buy cloths of gold, each of the value of fifty shillings, to place around his corpse upon the bier; the same to be given to the aforesaid church after his burial. Provision made for chantries in the same church for the good of his soul, the souls of Cristina his late wife, Mathias his father, Matilda his mother, Henry his master, Richard his nephew, John and Adam his brothers, Matilda his sister, and

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others. Bequests also to the church of All Hallows de Wycombe and to the poor of the parish, as well as to the various religious orders in London, the inmates of prisons and hospitals, the church of S. Paul, the work of London Bridge, the nuns of Kellyngbourne, Chesthunt, and Stratford. To Alice his daughter he leaves forty shillings; and to Johanna his daughter, a nun of Berkyngg, twenty shillings. To Petronilla his wife, by way of dower, five hundred marks of silver, and divers cups of silver and of mazer, as well as other household goods. To Isabella his daughter two hundred marks of silver for her marriage, and his best silver *spicedisshe*. Among numerous other bequests he leaves to each of his apprentices in the Ropery ten shillings; to William his brother ten pounds sterling; and to John his nephew, son of John his brother, all his balances, weights, and other implements of trade belonging to his shop in the Ropery. Also to his aforesaid daughter Isabella the reversion of tenements in the parish of All Hallows upon the Cellar, after the decease of Petronilla his wife. Dated London, Saturday the Vigil of H. Trinity [27 May], A.D. 1358.....

Also he wills that the aforesaid Isabella, together with her goods and chattels, remain under the care of Petronilla his wife, she finding the usual security at the Guildhall. Release of a sum of money due from his fermers at Little Hadham. The Abbot and Convent of Dorchestre to enjoy an annual rent issuing from certain tenements in the parish of All Hallows upon the Cellar; and other pecuniary legacies to divers persons. Dated London, under his signet, Saturday next after the Feast of Annunciation of B.V. Mary [25 March], A.D. 1359. Roll 89 (67).

Hertlegh (RICHARD DE), marshal<sup>1</sup> and citizen of London.—To be buried in the church of S. Sepulchre without Newgate. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; to the five orders of friars of London, so that each order celebrate six trentals (*sex triennalia*<sup>2</sup>) of masses for the good of his soul; and to various hospitals and prisons. To each of his servants he leaves a garment, the residue of his garments being

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 15.

<sup>2</sup> *Triennale*, *Triennale*, *Tricenarium*, | and *Trentale* all denote an office of  
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distributed among the poor. To William Plomer his kinsman he leaves an *anevelt*<sup>1</sup> and other implements appertaining to a certain forge. To William Celman, "Scallard," John Clerk and Agnes, wife of the same, John, brother of Johanna his wife, his servants, and others, he leaves money and goods. To his said wife he leaves his tenement in Holbourne for life; remainder to pious uses. His tenement upon Houndesdich to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to chantries in the church of S. Sepulchre. Other lands and tenements in Chiselhurst and Fotescray to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Tenements in West Smethefeld he leaves for the maintenance of the church of S. Sepulchre and of chantries therein. Dated London, Monday next after the Feast of S. George [23 April], A.D. 1361.....He further gives a general acquittance to certain parties, and makes other bequests, among which is one to John Fouler to assist him in finding his (John's) son, if living. He also acknowledges the receipt from Bataile (*sic*) of fifty-four Geneva florins (*florenos de Genevyns*), for which he had paid five pounds sterling. Roll 89 (68).

**Foket (RALPH)**, chandler.—To be buried in S. Mary's Chapel in the church of S. Michael upon Cornhull. To John his son he leaves his tenements upon Cornhull and Fynkeslane, and also his tenement upon Cornhull called "le Welleheus," in tail, charged with the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Isabella and Margery his wives, and others, in the said church of S. Michael; remainder to Ralph his son in tail; remainder to pious uses. Dated London, the last day of April, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (76).

**Ravenstone<sup>2</sup> (WILLIAM DE)**, perpetual chaplain in S. Paul's Church and late Almoner.—To the Dean and Chapter of the said church he leaves his tenement in the parish of S. Botolph without Aldresgate in frankalmoign, and other tenements in the parishes of S. Nicholas Coldabbeie and S. Mary Magdalen in

<sup>1</sup> Anvil.

<sup>2</sup> A similar will of the testator is preserved among the archives of S. Paul's Cathedral, to which an indenture is attached, giving an inventory of the various books, ornaments, and articles of furniture assigned by the testator to the Almonry of S. Paul's. (Appendix to Ninth Report, Hist. MSS. Commission, p. 47 b.)

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Oldefisschestret; also rents of a tenement in Paternosterrowe called "le Stonhous," in the parish of S. Michael le Quern; so that one extra chorister (if not two) may be maintained thereout. In default of the said choristers being brought up in good manners and knowledge, the almoner for the time being is to pay a certain sum of money to the work of the church. Dated 16 July, A.D. 1358. Roll 89 (77).

*Monday the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Horewode** (NICHOLAS DE).—To be buried in the church of SS. Nicholas and Olave.<sup>1</sup> To Johanna his wife and Nicholas his son all his tenements in Ismongerlane; and to his said wife he leaves his interest in certain tenements in the parish of SS. Nicholas and Olave in Bredstrete for her maintenance and the maintenance of his children. Also to his aforesaid son the reversion of tenements at *le Barbican*. His tenements in Fletestrete to be sold for pious uses and payment of debts. To John his brother he leaves his share of a mansion and shops in Bredstrete. Dated London, Thursday in Whitsun week [16 May], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (78).

**Snodilond** (THOMAS DE), Rector of the church of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate.—To be buried before the image of S. Botolph on the south side of the high altar in the said church. Bequests to the said church, and to the church of S. Paul, its vicars, choristers, &c. To Andrew Pikman, Ralph de Morton, and others, parishioners of the said church of S. Botolph, he leaves all his lands, rents, and tenements within the City and suburbs, for the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul and the welfare of the brethren of the Fraternity of the Chapel of S. Mary in the same church. The residue of his goods, after payment of debts, to go to Johanna and Beatrix his sisters. Dated London, Sunday the Feast of H. Trinity [23 May], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (84).

**Lambard** (THOMAS).—To be buried in the church or church-

<sup>1</sup> More commonly known as S. Nicholas of London. Cf. the church of SS. Anne Olave. The double dedication is curious and Agnes, to which was annexed that in connexion with churches in the City of S. John Zachary, near Aldersgate.

yard of All Hallows de Stanyngechirche. Bequests to the high altar and fabric of the said church; also to the clerk in charge of the water (*clerico aque banilo*<sup>1</sup>). To Isabella his wife his tenement in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid for life; remainder to any child with which she may be *enceinte*; remainders over to Elizabeth his daughter and to Adam Cavve de Grenewiche. Dated at his house in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, 24 May, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (90).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas [11 June].*

**Northhall** (ALICE, wife of JOHN DE, called "Clerk," and late Alderman).—To be buried near her late husband in the chapel of S. John Baptist in the church of S. Nicholas Hacoun. Bequests to the said church, its belfry, ministers, &c.; also to the belfry of the church of S. Edmund the King in Lumbardstret; to the five orders of friars in London and the suburbs; to Sir Roger, the chaplain of Bartholomew Guidonis<sup>2</sup> of Florence, "chaungeour"; and others. To Richard Troky and Matilda his wife, Alice and Margaret their daughters, John Boneaventure, Margaret Rokele, and many others she leaves sums of money, clothes, and household goods too numerous to specify. To the aforesaid Bartholomew she leaves one hundred shillings; to Sarah his wife a brooch (*monile*) of gold called "ouche" worked with *perles*; and to Alice his daughter a bound mazer cup with stand of silver and covercle of mazer. The sum of money lying in the hands of the said Bartholomew at the date of her will is to be distributed by him in charity, and he is to be recompensed out of her goods and chattels for the trouble he took respecting her tenements in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid, which are to be sold immediately after her decease, the said Bartholomew being preferred as purchaser. Dated 28 May, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (95).

<sup>1</sup> *Banilus*, "Officialis minor *Ballivo*, quasi Vice-ballivus" (Du Cange). From the same authority, however, we learn that *aquamani* denotes the basin wherein the priest washes his hands after mass, as well as the ewer from which water is poured over his hands. One is tempted to think that this is what is meant by the testator.

<sup>2</sup> It was to a Bartholomew Guidonis

de Castilon, merchant of London, conjointly with Adam de St. Ive of London, draper, that Edward III., in the thirty-third year of his reign, granted all his money exchanges and the making of gold and silver coin and plate throughout the kingdom, for the space of one year (City Records, Letter-Book G, fol. 79 b; printed in Rymer's 'Fœdera,' vol. iii. part i. p. 450).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Botolph [17 June].*

**Brian (JOHN)**, parish clerk of the church of S. Mary de Aldermanbury.—To be buried in the Priory of S. Mary de Elsyng-spitull within Crepulgate near the tomb of William<sup>1</sup> its founder. To the said priory he leaves a girdle fastened with two silver shillings, a sixth book of Decretals (*unum librum sextum*<sup>2</sup>) with gloss of John Andrew, and a book of Decretals which had been lent to him. To Alice his wife all his tenements in the parishes of S. Michael in Bassinghaghe, S. Alban in Adellane, and S. Alphege in Phelippeslane within Cripulgate for life, charged with the maintenance of a lamp; remainder to Margaret his daughter for life; remainder to pious uses. His tenement in Silverstret, parish of S. Olave, to be sold for payment of debts, &c. Dated London, at his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermanbury, 18 May, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (99).

**Preston (WILLIAM DE)**, clerk.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of All Hallows in *la Roperye*. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. To John his servant, Isabella his sister, Sarah his sister, Alice, daughter of the said Isabella, and others, he leaves household goods, comprising beds, mazer cups, and a silver *Biker* with covercle. Also to his aforesaid sisters all his tenements in Heywarf Lane and elsewhere in the City of London for life; remainder to the rector of the church of All Hallows aforesaid, and to the perpetual chaplains of the church of S. Paul and their successors living together in common hall. Dated IX. Kal. June [24 May], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (100).

**Walcote (ROBERT DE)**, goldsmith.—To be buried in Pardon Churchyard of S. Paul's Church. Provision made for funeral expenses, and bequests to the church of S. Peter in Chepe and ministers therein, and to religious orders. To Henry his kinsman he leaves two marks; to Sir William Godrych a gold ring with stone, having a lion engraved thereon; to Isabella de Preston, Master William de Preston, and Margaret Leycestre other gold rings; to John Leycestre a pair of *paternostres* of amber (*de*

<sup>1</sup> William Elsing, whose will is enrolled in Part I. p. 562.

<sup>2</sup> The sixth book of Decretals, added by Pope Boniface VIII. to the five books

of Pope Gregory IX., was known as *Sextus* or *Sextus Decretalium*, and this appears to be the subject of the bequest. (See Part I. p. 607 n.)



*laumbre*) with *gaudes*<sup>1</sup> of silver and a silver fermail. To John de Garyngton, Peter Hiltoft, and William Lytton respectively, he leaves three books of colour (*tres libros coloris*<sup>2</sup>). To Alice his wife and Isabella Preston he leaves tenements in the parish of S. Laurence Pulteneye for their lives, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said parish church; remainder to the chaplains residing in the common hall within the close of S. Paul's, situate near the Dean's mansion. Bequests to the lepers at *la lok*, in S. Giles's Hospital, and at Hakeneye. Dated London, 15 May, A.D. 1361.

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Whereupon came John de Leycestre, Robert de Norwych, and Katherine his wife, and put their claim upon the testament aforesaid as to tenements therein devised.

Roll 89 (102).

**Wygan (JOHN DE).**—To be buried in S. Mary's Chapel in the church of S. Brigid. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; also to the church of S. Paul, prisoners of Neugate, and lepers around London. To Hugh his brother he leaves his best robe, and to Richard, son of the same, twenty shillings. Bequests also to the chapel of the *Domus Dei*<sup>3</sup> at Suthampton, and to the rector and ministers of some church at Suthampton, for keeping his obit. Provision made for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Brigid aforesaid for the good of his soul and the souls of Johanna his wife, Reginald de Thorp, Elena, wife of the same, and John their son, and others. Johanna his wife to have her entire chamber. To Thurstan his brother he leaves a pair of *platis*,<sup>4</sup> a *bacynet*<sup>5</sup> with *ventail*,<sup>6</sup> a doublet called "*akedon*."<sup>7</sup> Dated

<sup>1</sup> The rosary was commonly composed of 165 beads, 150 of which represented *Aves* and 15 *Paternosters*. The latter, called "*gaudes*" or "*gaudees*," were of a larger size than the rest, and so arranged as to make one *Paternoster* come after every ten *Aves*. According to Riley ('Memorials,' p. 455) the term is derived from Latin *garde* or *gaudete* = "rejoice," in allusion to S. Luke i. 14, where the angel foretells to Zacharias the birth of John the Baptist, saying, "And thou shalt have joy and gladness, and many shall rejoice at his birth."

<sup>2</sup> Or the Hospital of S. Julian, founded by two merchant brothers, *temp.* Henry III. The patronage and mastership were given by Edward III., at the instance of his Queen Philippa, to the Provost and Fellows of Queen's College, Oxford, which she had founded (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.,' p. 167).

<sup>4</sup> Breastplates (?).

<sup>5</sup> A kind of headpiece.

<sup>6</sup> Probably a movable front to a helmet for purposes of ventilation. (See Part I. p. 481, notes 1 and 2.)

<sup>7</sup> Or haketon, a quilted jacket worn sometimes under armour.

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[18 Feb.], A.D. 1360. Roll 89 (103).

**London (JOHN)**, brewer.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael in Bassynghawe before the rood. Bequests to the said church and the Fraternity of the Light of B.V. Mary therein. Bequests also to the Fraternity of Brewers<sup>1</sup> in the church of All Hallows near the Wall and the church of S. Saviour in Bermunds-eye, and to each order of mendicant friars. To John and Robert his sons he leaves ten pounds respectively. Provision made for a chantry in the said church of S. Michael for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes his [late] wife, John Burton, and others. To Lucy his wife he leaves his capital tenement near London for life; remainder to Robert his son in tail. To the aforesaid John his son the reversion of certain shops in tail. The said Robert is desired to preserve in his garden the rain water flowing from the houses of John his brother. To William his brother he leaves a bed, a robe, a mazer, a piece of silver [plate], three silver spoons, a brass pot and a *panne*, a chest and a posnet, and twenty shillings. Further bequests to John Breuwere, John Andrew, and others. Dated London, 11 May, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (104).

**Atte Moure (RICHARD)**, draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael upon Cornhull, to which church and ministers thereof he leaves sums of money, as well as to the old work of S. Paul's, the fabric of the chapel of Neucherchew in West Smythfeld,<sup>2</sup> the fabric of the chapel of H. Trinity de la Newchirchew near the Tower, the Sisters of S. Katherine near the Tower, the poor in the hospitals, lepers, &c. To Richard his son he leaves twenty pounds sterling and divers household chattels, including a *Nhutte* with silver stand and covercle, and half the proceeds of the sale of a certain tenement, the other half being devoted to pious uses. Symon atte Moure his brother appointed guardian of his said son. Further bequests to his said brother;

<sup>1</sup> According to the return made by the Brewers' Company to the Commissioners in 1884, they were not incorporated by charter till 1445.

<sup>2</sup> Stow relates how in 1349 Sir Walter Manny bought a piece of land "lying in a place called Spittle Cross, because it belonged to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, since that called the New Church-haw," for the purpose of a burial-ground; this chapel was probably connected with it.

Walter his brother; Agatha and Alice his sisters; Richard, son of Walter atte Moure; John atte Moure, John Daundelion, and others. Provision made for a chantry in the church of Wyvelesfeld,<sup>1</sup> co. Essex, for the good of his soul, the souls of Isabella his wife, John his father, and Agnes his mother. Also to the said church he leaves a *scoppe*<sup>2</sup> of latten of the value of five shillings and a cope. To the Fraternity of S. Christopher<sup>3</sup> six shillings and eightpence. Dated London, Monday next before the Feast of SS. Philip and James [1 May], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (105).

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**Willeby (EDMUND).**—To be buried in the church of S. Thomas the Apostle, to which church and ministers thereof he leaves sums of money, as also to the Augustinian Friars and Friars Minors for trentals of masses. To Agnes his wife he leaves his tenement at the corner of the Ryole in the parish of S. Thomas the Apostle for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. To Sir Andrew Groudesbourgh his kinsman, Rector of the church of Helgheye, he leaves his brewery in Goldynggeslane, parish of S. Giles without Crupelgate, in satisfaction of a debt, if the conscience of the said Andrew allows him to retain it; otherwise the same is to go to his aforesaid wife. Dated 15 May, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (106).

**Chippenham (WILLIAM DE), "hakenayman."**—To be buried in the church of S. Andrew de Holburne. To Juliana his wife his tenement in Holburne for life; remainder to the maintenance of the lights of S. Mary and S. John in the aforesaid church. Bequests to the said church also for pious uses, for wax tapers at his funeral, for a pilgrimage on his behalf to Santiago, &c. Dated at his house in Holbourne, Tuesday next before the Feast of S. Augustine in the month of May [5 May], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (107).

**Codyngton (ROGER DE).**—To be buried in the church of S. Mary of the new work (*nove* [*sic*] *operis*) without Alderichgate. Bequests to the church of S. Botolph without "Alderiche" (*sic*) for vestments, &c. To Walter Haliwell his shop in the aforesaid

<sup>1</sup> Wethersfield (?).

<sup>2</sup> A scoop for holding holy water, Fr. *bénitier*.

<sup>3</sup> The patron saint of the water-carriers or "water laders" (Part I. p. 509, note 1).

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parish (*sic*) for life; remainder to pious uses. Bequests of money to the said Walter, Thomas Estworth, William Stone, and others. To Eva his wife he leaves all his tenements in Alderichegate-strete in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. To Henry Asshbourne he leaves three dozen of cordwain and a *bolle* of silver; and to John Lesene forty shillings and a *bolle* of silver. Dated London, Saturday next after the Feast of Corpus Christi [27 May], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (108).

**Benyio** (JOHN), woolmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Dunstan in the East. Bequests to the said church for tithes, &c. To Alice his wife he leaves his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Dunstan aforesaid for life; remainder to Johanna his daughter, her heirs and assigns, with remainder to the heirs and assigns of the said Alice if she survive his said daughter.<sup>1</sup> Dated London, Tuesday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bp. and Conf. [19 May], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (109).

**Philip** (JOHN), Vicar of the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate.—To the Fraternity of B. Mary in the said church he leaves all his tenements in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate for the maintenance of a chantry and of the light of the B. Mary; also rents in the parish of S. Michael in Bassyngeshawe. Dated London, 7 February, 35 Edward III. [A.D. 1360-1].

Roll 89 (110).

*Monday the Vigil of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Mayel** (ROGER), chaplain.—To Richard Toky and Matilda, wife of the same, he leaves all his tenements in Gressecherchestrete, parish of S. Benedict, and the reversion of others in Lumbard-strete, parish of S. Edmund, and in the street of S. Clement. Also he leaves two pounds of wax for making two tapers for his funeral, one to be placed at his head and the other at his feet. Four trentals to be celebrated for the good of his soul. Bequests to the house of S. John de Clerkynwell and to the Master and

<sup>1</sup> A limitation upon a fee simple!

Brethren of Ospring.<sup>1</sup> Dated Thursday the morrow of the Translation of S. Thomas the Martyr [7 July], A.D. 1361.

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**Wenlok (ROGER).**—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Wolchirchewawe near Margery his late wife. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, to Juliana his daughter, and Emota his sister. To Nicholas his son he leaves his dwelling-house; to Emma Lacy his sister and Alice his daughter certain shops. Dated London, 31 March, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (113).

**Iford (WILLIAM, son of JOHN DE).**—To be buried in the church of S. Margaret upon Lothebury. Bequests to the said church for making a belfry, &c., its ministers, and to various religious orders; also for a knell (*pro classico meo communi pulsando*) and funeral expenses. Provision made for the maintenance of a chantry in the said church. To Matilda his wife he leaves lands and tenements upon Lothebury and elsewhere within the City of London for life, with remainders to the maintenance of the said chantry; also his lands, &c., in the city of Bath for life, with remainder to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Mary atte Stalles within the said city. Also to his said wife all his goods in the counties of Somerset and Wilts for pious uses. To the Augustinian Friars in London he bequeaths a certain rent issuing from a tenement called "Longeentre" in the ward of Bredstrete. Dated London, 1 July, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (114).

**Lillyngston (THOMAS DE).**—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph without Aldersgate opposite to the place where Cristina his wife is accustomed to stand. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. To his said wife he leaves all his tenements in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid for life, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said parish church; remainder to the maintenance of a chantry, concerning which explicit directions are given. Also to his said wife his tenements in Holborne and Fletestrete, and rents of a wharf near *le Quene-*

<sup>1</sup> Ospring or Awasprenge, near Faversham, co. Kent. A hospital founded by Henry VIII. to St. John's College, Cambridge.  
*circa* A.D. 1235, and afterwards given

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*hithe*, for life, together with sixty shillings annual quitrent by way of dower of all his tenements and rents, with similar remainder. Other tenements at the corner of Lymstret in the parish of S. Andrew Aneknappe<sup>1</sup> (*sic*) to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to the fulfilment of his testament regarding his movables. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves rents of a tenement called "le helm on ye hoope" in the parish of S. Peter de Cornhull for life; remainder to pious uses. Dated London, Monday the Feast of S. Alphege [19 April], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (114\*).

**Byker** (JOHN), the King's artilleryman in the Tower.—To Alice his wife he leaves all his tenements in the parish of S. Katherine Trinity within Algate for life; remainder, as to part, to Boneface his son in tail; remainder to Patrick his son in tail; remainder over to Johanna his daughter. Also to the said Patrick he leaves the reversion of a tenement and great solar called "le Wynsoler" in tail, with remainder to his aforesaid daughter Johanna. Dated London, 10 June, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (115).

**Essex** (RICHARD DE), draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Bothawe. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; to the Preaching Friars for celebrating two hundred masses for the good of his soul within a year after his decease; to the Friars of the H. Cross for one hundred masses; also for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of "Heclyngham" Sibille;<sup>2</sup> to the work of S. Thomas de Acon and S. Katherine towards the Tower; to the inmates of the various hospitals and prisons; to the Fraternity of Candelwikstrete, the Fraternity of Skinners, the work of London Bridge, &c. To Matilda his wife one hundred marks by way of dower and her entire chamber, reserving to each of his children one entire bed. Bequests also to John his son, Isabella his daughter, and Thomas his son, to which last he also leaves a seld in Westchepe. Guardians appointed for his said children. Dated London, Thursday next after the Feast of Apostles Peter and Paul [29 June], A.D. 1361.

<sup>1</sup> S. Andrew atte Knappe, or Under-shaft, near Aldgate; so called from a long shaft or maypole which used at one time to be erected before it on every

May Day. The church was also known as that of S. Andrew upon Cornhill—Hust. Roll 21 (67).

<sup>2</sup> Sible Hedlingham, co. Essex.

It is, moreover, his last will that his entire seld in Westchepe, together with the advowson of a certain chantry in the cathedral church of S. Paul, be sold by his executors and the proceeds devoted to pious uses. His testament formerly ordained to remain otherwise in force. Dated Saturday next before the Feast of Translation of S. Thomas, Martyr [7 July], 35 Edward III. [A.D. 1361]. Roll 89 (117).

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**Derby** (WILLIAM DE).—To be buried in the church of Aldermariecherche at the foot of his father's tomb. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; also for funeral expenses, tapers, &c. To Milcent his servant he leaves a sum of money, a coverlet with tester of *Cheker*,<sup>1</sup> one *sarge*, and a basin and ewer. Bequests also to his mother's servant, to John the keeper of the wardrobe of the Countess of Penbrok, William de Coventre, Robert and Roger his uncles, and others. To the use of his church he leaves a chalice, a silver-gilt paten not consecrated (*non benedictam*), and a chasuble. To Agnes his mother two tenements in Watlyngstret, parish of S. Augustine near S. Paul's Church, and rents of tenements in Bircheslane, parish of S. Michael upon Cornhull. Dated London, Saturday, 5 June, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (119).

**Derby** (AGNES, relict of WILLIAM DE, tailor).—To be buried near her late husband under a marble stone in the church of Aldermariecherche. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; also for funeral expenses, tapers, &c. To Roger her brother, Richard Baroun and Sarah his wife, John de Sulby, wardrobe-keeper of the Countess of Penbrok, Robert de Louthe, joiner, William Boyvile, clerk and writer of this her testament, and others she makes divers bequests of money and household goods. Also to the aforesaid John de Sulby she leaves tenements formerly belonging to Edmund her son in Watlyngstrete, and to Robert de Louthe rents in Bircheslane, parish of S. Michael upon Cornhull, subject to certain pious and charitable conditions. The sum of 4*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* to be expended in the celebration of one thousand masses for the good of her soul. Dated London, Satur-

<sup>1</sup> Among clothes seized in satisfaction of a debt due to London merchants in 1319, we find "one vermilion *cheker*, value 4 marks" (Riley's 'Memorials,' p. 131).

**A.D. 1361.** day the morrow of the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June],  
A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (120).

**Mazerer (ROBERT)**, cordwainer.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Magdalen near the Old Fish Market. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, the alms of the Fraternity of the Blessed Mary therein; also for tapers to burn there, &c. All the instruments of his shop in Chepe to be equally divided between William de Kent and John Longe. To Johanna his wife [a tenement]; and after her decease the same to remain to the infant with which she is *enceinte*, and in default of heirs of the said infant remainder to Margaret his daughter. To Isabella atte brigge he leaves a mazer *de Warr*.<sup>1</sup> Dated London, 6 June, A.D. 1361.

Whereupon came John Longe, cordwainer, and Margaret his wife and put their claim upon the above testament.

Roll 89 (121).

**Walman (WILLIAM)**, skinner.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Wolcherchew near the tomb of Margery his late wife. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, &c.; also for tolling his knell and for digging his grave, and other funeral expenses; to the church of S. Paul, the old and new work; the work of London Bridge, poor prisoners in Neugate, and the sick in various hospitals. To Roger Cavendish he leaves a small cup of mazer called “la Broune maser”; to Nicholas Rous a pair of hose; to William Prat a brass pot, a pan, a feather bed, two gowns, and forty shillings; and to John Stafford a tunic and hood and a *Wardecorps*.<sup>2</sup> To Alice his wife he leaves for life or during widowhood all lands and tenements formerly belonging to William Walman his father in the vill and parish of Oltone,<sup>3</sup> and also his brewery in the parish of S. Mary de Wollcherchew; remainder to pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of William his father, Alice his mother, and others. Dated London, 12 June, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (122).

**Welforde (THOMAS)**, junior.—To be buried in the chapel of the

<sup>1</sup> See Part I. p. 692, note 1.

<sup>2</sup> Or *gardecorps*, a sort of vest.

<sup>3</sup> Co. Suffolk (?).



Blessed Mary in the parish church of S. Michael in Wodestret near Hoggenelane. Bequest of sixty shillings for five round tapers to burn around his corpse and other funeral expenses. To Matilda his wife and his three children he leaves sums of money. Also to his said wife a shop in Chepe for life; remainder to the heirs of his body, and in default of such heirs to William Welforde his brother for life; remainder to the Fraternity of S. Mary atte Bowe. Also to his said wife his tenement in Wodestret for life; remainder in trust for sale for the good of his soul, &c. Bequest of certain rents in the parish of S. Benedict de Grascherche for the maintenance of the light of S. Mary atte Bowe. To his aforesaid wife a shop at Goselane; to the aforesaid William his brother, Ydania his sister, and William his brother's son he leaves sums of money. To the parishioners of S. Michael in Wodestret he leaves a chalice of silver and gold weighing thirty shillings. Dated London, Friday, viz., 18 June, A.D. 1361.

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Roll 89 (123).

**Eneveld** (JOHN DE), blader,<sup>1</sup> parishioner of the church of S. Audoen<sup>2</sup> within Neugate.—Any future bequest he may make by codicil, by writing, or by word of mouth, is to take effect as if written in this his present testament. Desires to be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Audoen aforesaid near Sarah his late wife. To Alice his wife he leaves his tenement, &c., in the parish of S. Audoen for life; remainder to the church of S. Martin le Grand and the Dean and Chapter of the same for the maintenance of chantries. Also to his said wife he leaves his tenement called "Scaldynghous"; to the fraternity of which he is a member in the church of All Hallows under the Wall (*sub muro*) near Bisshoppegate he leaves a tenement in the parish of S. Sepulchre in Westmethefeld, charged also with the maintenance of chantries. Dated London, 1 April, A.D. 1361.—Also he wills and ordains that the brethren and sisters of his fraternity founded in honour of the Blessed Mary and of All Saints attend his funeral at the church of S. Audoen, and that born bondmen<sup>3</sup> (*nativi*) go

<sup>1</sup> Probably meaning cornmonger. See Part I. p. 533, note 3.

<sup>2</sup> S. Owen or Ewin, near the Shambles.

<sup>3</sup> Or "Natives"; the "Native" was one born in bondage, the "Bondman" being so by contract, and the "Villein" being

bound to service, as belonging to the land. The female appellation of the *nativus* was "neif"; that of the male has not survived; "serf" is perhaps the nearest term. See a claim made by Edmund, Earl of Cornwall, upon certain

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to his houses and tenements in Smethfeld after his funeral and there eat together, and by so eating take seisin of the same for the said fraternity, for which purpose he bequeaths a certain quantity of bread, corn, and malt. Bequests to John atte Hull his godson, John Lacer, William his brewer, and others; also to the light of the Fraternity of S. Giles without Cripulgate, and to the Fraternity of S. John in the same church. Roll 89 (124).

**Sulby** (JOHN DE), Wardrobe Keeper of the Venerable Lady the Countess of Penbrok.—To be buried in S. Paul's Church. Bequests to the said church and the church of S. Martin within Ludgate. To William Denton he leaves his best bow and all his arrows; and to Robert de Louth and William the clerk a bow respectively. Directions for funeral and keeping his month's mind. Bequests also to Isabella his niece, wife of William Kayscho; to various orders of friars, and others. To John de Newport his calendar (*calendarium meum*). To William his son he leaves certain tenements in Watlyngstrete in tail; remainder to the church of S. Augustine at S. Paul's Gate for pious uses for the good of his soul and the souls of William de Derby, Agnes, wife of the same, and Edmund their son. To Edith his wife a tenement in Old Change, parish of S. Vedast, for life; remainder to the infant *en ventre sa mère*, with remainders over; also his houses in Bassynghawe, to hold to his said wife, her heirs and assigns.<sup>1</sup> Dated London, Sunday next after the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul [29 June], A.D. 1361.—He further wills and ordains that, by licence of the Commissary General of the Dean of Arches, William Boyvile, clerk, shall undertake administration of the goods of Master Edmund de Derby and of Agnes, wife of the same, according to the manner in which he himself was bound, and that the said William receive remuneration for his trouble as the said Commissary shall adjudge.

Roll 89 (125).

**Ruthin** (RICHARD).—Bequests to Sir Walter Odiham, rector of the church of S. John de Walbrok, for having the souls of Sir John de Grey and Agnes, the testator's late wife, and others, in

bondmen who were runaways and sought to be admitted to the freedom of the City (Riley's 'Memorials,' p. 23, whence this note is taken).

<sup>1</sup> The custom of the City restraining a man from leaving to his wife a greater estate than one for life appears to have been not always observed.

remembrance; also to each of the five orders of friars in London; to Geoffrey Patrik, clerk of *la Riote*; Richard, son of the same; William, son of William le Reve, and others. A certain tene-ment in Bogerowe,<sup>1</sup> parish of S. John aforesaid, to be sold after the decease of himself and Agnes his wife, late wife of John Trapp, skinner, and a portion of the proceeds to go to the Master and Brethren of the Hospital of S. John of Jerusalem in England, and other portions to Sir John de London, monk of Westminster, son of the aforesaid John Trapp and Agnes, and for the maintenance of chantries in the said church of S. John de Walbrok. Dated London, 4 March, A.D. 1356. Roll 89 (126).

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**Opton or Upton (LAURENCE DE).**—To be buried within the church of S. Andrew in Holborne near his wife. Bequests to the said church, to Laurence his son, the monastery of H. Trinity at the Tower, and various orders of friars in London. For making a certain window in the aforesaid church in honour of S. John Baptist he leaves six marks. Also to his aforesaid son and to John Draper his servant he leaves his beds and all his linen and woollen cloths in equal portions. Dated London, the Feast of Translation of S. Benedict, Abbot [11 July], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (127).

**Harewdon (WALTER DE),** horse dealer.<sup>2</sup>—To be buried in the church of S. Sepulchre near the tomb of Felicia his late wife, to which church he makes bequests, as also to Richard his son, Alice and Johanna his daughters. To Marion his wife he leaves all his tenements and gardens in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid in Westmethefeld for life, remainder to pious uses; also his entire chamber, with all vessels of silver, mazer, &c., appertaining to his house. Dated London, Monday the Vigil of Apostles Peter and Paul [29 June], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (128).

**Starcolf (THOMAS),** mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Laurence in the Jewry near the tomb of his father. Bequests to the said church, to various religious orders and hospitals, the churches of H. Trinity the Less, S. Martin in Ismongerlane, S. Margaret upon Lothebury, and S. Thomas "*de Aquino*."<sup>3</sup> To

<sup>1</sup> Budge Row.

<sup>2</sup> *Mercator equorum.*

<sup>3</sup> Meaning probably S. Thomas de Acon.

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the parson of the church of Barsham<sup>1</sup> he leaves all the utensils of his house, viz., *dosseres*<sup>2</sup> and *Bankqueres*,<sup>3</sup> beds and sheets, kitchen utensils, a silver *Biker*, &c.; and to Friar Robert Pynk<sup>4</sup> pieces of silver plate. Further bequests to other individuals, including apprentices and servants. His tenement in Walbrok to be sold for pious uses. Dated London, 10 July, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (129).

**Atte Wiche** (LETICIA, relict of THOMAS, late "stokfissmongere").—To be buried in the porch of the church of S. Martin Orgar. Bequests to the said church, to the five orders of friars within the City, and the Hospital of S. Giles de Holburn. To William de Aumbresbury, merchant, she leaves certain shops in Tamyestrete, parish of S. Martin Orgar, for life, charged with the payment of her debts and the debts of her late husband; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Bequests to Thomas her servant of household goods, comprising a feather bed, sheets, and a chalon.<sup>5</sup> Dated London, Sunday next after the Feast of Translation of S. Swithin, Bishop [2 July], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (132).

**Broun** (MARGERY, daughter of JOHN, late poulterer).—To be buried in the great churchyard of S. Paul's near the tomb of Giles de Walden her late husband.<sup>6</sup> Bequests to the said church, as also to the churches of S. Michael le Quern and S. Mildred in the Poultry, the divers orders of friars in London, the poor in various hospitals, the lepers near London, &c. To Isabella Boner, Isabella Russell, Alice Russel, Agnes Boner, and others divers bequests, comprising a tunic and *courtepy* of green colour, a curtain (*velum*), a surcoat of red colour, a ring of sapphire and pearls, and a diamond ring. Bequests to apprentices and servants. To John Fissh she leaves her best mazer cup. To Richard Russel a glass (*verre*) of silver. To Thomas de Walden, apothecary, all her tenements in the parish of S. Benedict Fynk for the

<sup>1</sup> Co. Norfolk or Suffolk.

<sup>2</sup> Tapestry hangings probably placed as high or low as the back (*dorsum*).

<sup>3</sup> A cushion or cloth for banks (or benches).

<sup>4</sup> Provincial Prior of the Preaching Friars or Dominicans. The University of Oxford conferred a Doctor's degree upon him, and the Mayor and Common-

alty of the City of London, by letter to Pope Urban V. in 1364, bore testimony to his good qualities (Letter-Book G, fol. 139 b; printed in 'Calendar of Letters from the Mayor, &c., 1350-1370').

<sup>5</sup> A thick stuff much used for blankets and coverlets.

<sup>6</sup> For a similar instance of a widow resuming her maiden name, see p. 9 n.

maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Mildred aforesaid for the good of her soul, the souls of her father and mother, Giles and Henry her husbands, &c. Dated London, 10 June, A.D. 1361.

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Roll 89 (134).

**Cheyner (THOMAS)**, mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Laurence Jewry. Bequests to the said church, to the scholars of *la Baylohall*,<sup>1</sup> Oxford, and for funeral expenses. All his tenements and rents in the City of London to be sold for payment of debts and legacies. Further bequests to each anchorite within the City; to the ministers of hospitals and prisons; to the fabric of London Bridge; for the repair of roads around the City; to the convents of Clerdynwell, Haliwell, S. Elena, Stradford, Kilbourn, Chesthunte, and Derteford; to Johanna his sister, and divers other individuals. Dated London, Friday, viz., the morrow of Nativity of S. John Baptist [24 June], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (135).

**Fynchefeld (SYMON DE)**.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Andrew in Holburn. Bequests to the said church and to Symon and Robert his sister's sons. To Roger Leget and Galliard le Pecche he leaves his tenement in Holburn in trust for sale to fulfil his testament and for pious uses. Dated Thursday next after Feast of Translation of S. Thomas, Martyr [7 July], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (136).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Wight (MATILDA, widow of NICHOLAS DE)**.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Wolnoth. Bequests to the said church, including a *chesible*<sup>2</sup> of cloth of gold lined with *bleu carde*,<sup>3</sup> an *aube*,<sup>4</sup> *stole*,<sup>5</sup> *phanoun*,<sup>6</sup> and *amyte*,<sup>7</sup> and a gilt chalice; also two silk

<sup>1</sup> The advowson of the church of S. Laurence Jewry was granted to Balliol College by Hugh de Vienne, Canon of S. Martin's le Grand, temp. Edward I.—Hust. Roll 23 (79).

<sup>2</sup> *Chasuble*, the uppermost of the vestments worn by the priest when celebrating. In form it was conical, with a hole in the centre just large enough to allow the head to pass through.

<sup>3</sup> Meaning probably *carda*, *cadars*, or *carduus*, a silken stuff of poor quality, used for inferior purposes (Rock, 'Textile Fabrics,' p. 30).

<sup>4</sup> *Alb*, an ecclesiastical garment reaching to the feet, usually made of fine *white* linen, whence its name. It was furnished with *apparels*, i.e., needlework ornamentations.

<sup>5</sup> A narrow band worn over the neck by priests and deacons.

<sup>6</sup> Or *fanon*, an embroidered scarf worn over the left arm of a priest; sometimes termed a *maniple*. It was usually of the same suit as the stole and the parures of the amice and alb.

<sup>7</sup> Or *amyce*, a rectangular piece of fine linen suspended over the shoulders of the clergy and fastened by strings.

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cloths, one of them worked with *squirell*, to place upon the corpses of poor parishioners; to various orders of friars, &c.; and provision made for funeral expenses and keeping of her obit. To Daniel de Wyght, Katherine, daughter of John de Crepeldgate and Katherine his wife, Richard, son of Geoffrey le Taillour, Alexander, son of Robert de Stratford, and others, she leaves sums of money and household chattels. The residue of her goods to be sold for pious uses for the good of her soul, the souls of Nicholas her late husband and others. Dated London, Saturday next after the Feast of Corpus Christi [27 May], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (142).

**Westimull (ROBERT)**, "taillour."—To be buried before the altar of S. Eligius, Bishop and Confessor, in the church of S. Thomas, Apostle. Bequests to the said church, the church of S. Paul, and the mendicant orders of friars in London; also to Sir Richard de Hakebourne, Margaret his daughter, and Margaret Ufford. Dated London, Thursday the Feast of Nativity of S. John Baptist [24 June], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (143).

**Malewayn (JOHN)**.—To be buried in the church of H. Trinity de Crichurche near Margery his late wife. Bequests to the said church, the churches of S. Mary de Fanchurche and of S. Paul, the principal orders of friars in London, the poor inmates of Neugate, &c. To John his son and heir and Johanna his daughter he leaves sums of money in the hands of guardians during minority; and to Margery his daughter the sum of 200*l.*, provided she marry with the consent of his executors, and not marry a certain John Dovy, mercer, upon pain of losing the legacy. Further bequests to Robert Turk, son of Margery aforesaid, his late wife, and to Margaret Hunston, daughter of the said Margery; to Matilda his mother; Matilda Malewayn, one of his sisters; Matilda, daughter of William Malewayn his brother, and others. To the Abbey of Lesnes, co. Kent, he leaves twenty marks; to the work of the church of Bedewynde,<sup>1</sup> co. Wilts, and ministers thereof, the church of Navenby, co. Linc., the church of H. Trinity de Cristchurche, London, divers sums of money. Also to John his aforesaid son and heir he leaves tenements in

<sup>1</sup> Great and Little Bedwyn.

Temestrete in tail; remainder to pious uses. All his tenements in the city of Winchester and in the vill of Suthampton he leaves to the lord the King. The residue of his goods and debts to be devoted to the maintenance of chantries in the church of Crichurche aforesaid. Dated London, 21 June, A.D. 1361.

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**Kislingbury**<sup>1</sup> (RICHARD DE), draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary le Bow near the tomb of Matilda his wife. Bequests to the said church, the churches of S. Thomas de Acon and S. Paul, the Rector of H. Trinity the Less, the work of London Bridge, religious orders, &c. He wills also that the whole of the wool he bought at Berkyng, viz., nineteen *sarpeler*,<sup>2</sup> be distributed among the poor, viz., to each poor person one fleece. To Alice his wife a moiety of all his movable goods by way of dower, and the residue of the term of service of his apprentices. Provision made for chantries in the churches of S. Thomas and S. Mary aforesaid out of rents of tenements in the parishes of S. Mary, H. Trinity the Less, and S. Botolph without Algate. Also to Alice his wife his leasehold interest in the manors of Berwyk and Cardenz, co. Essex, for life; remainder over. Dated London, Tuesday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (145).

**York** (THOMAS DE), vintner.—To be buried in *le Pardonchercharve* of S. Paul's Church, to which he leaves a sum of money for the new work of the same, as well as for his funeral, and for maintenance of chantries therein. To Elena his wife tenements in Fletstret, parish of S. Brigid, for life; remainder to Thomas and John his sons. Further bequests to his said wife and sons, and to Rosia, Agnes, and Juliana his daughters. Bequests for providing tapers to burn at his funeral. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves his interest in *le Brokenseld*. The residue of his goods to be divided among his wife and children, his wife receiving as much as three children. Dated London, Tuesday the Feast of S. Alban, Martyr [22 June], A.D. 1301 (*sic*). Roll 89 (146).

**Bonyndon or Bovyndon** (?) (JOHN DE), apothecary.—To be

<sup>1</sup> One identical in name, if not in person, was Mayor in 1350.

<sup>2</sup> A sarplar or pocket of wool=half a sack or forty tods.

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buried in the churchyard of All Hallows de Honylane under the same stone as Margery his late wife. His corpse to be covered with a cover of Russet whilst on the bier, and five round tapers, each of six pounds of wax, to burn around him; six poor persons to be clothed in coats with hoods of Russet, and each to hold a torch of nine pounds of wax around his corpse. Bequests to the church of All Hallows aforesaid of his priest's vestment, his chalice, two cruets, towels, and others; provision made for chantries therein for the good of his soul, the souls of Margery his late wife, his father and mother, John de Paston, Henry Cros, and Johanna, wife of the same, &c. To the work of the church of S. Giles at South Mymmes<sup>1</sup> he leaves one mark sterling, his missal and portifory with music of the use of Sarum. To Katherine his wife her entire chamber, cups of silver and of mazer, silver spoons with gilt acorns, &c.; also divers rents so long as she remain a widow, remainder to John, Thomasina, and Margery his children and the heirs of their bodies; remainder to pious uses. His apprentices William Richard de Pridie, William Clervaus, and Thomas de Jarkevill to continue to serve his aforesaid wife. Adam Fraunceys, merchant, appointed guardian of his children, he giving security for the same at the Guildhall. To John Pountz his kinsman, Richard Pountz, and Thomas, brother of Richard, he leaves sums of money and bows and arrows furnished with feathers of *Pecok*. The seal of the Official of the Archdeacon of London appended hereto, inasmuch as the testator's seal is but little known. Dated London, 20 April, A.D. 1361.—Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves lands and tenements in the aforesaid parish of All Hallows and in Bechelane, parish of S. Giles without Cripelgate, for life; remainder to his aforesaid children and the heirs of their bodies; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds to be devoted to the work of the church of South Mymmes and to the repair of the roads in the vill of South Mymmes where most necessary.

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**Brangewayn (WILLIAM)**, vintner.—To be buried in the priory church of S. Mary Overe near Suthwerk. Bequests to the prior and canons, ministers, &c., of the said priory. Provision made for chantries in the aforesaid church and in the churches

<sup>1</sup> Near Barnet, co. Middlesex.



of S. Martin Vintry, S. Michael in the Rirole, S. Martin de Oteswy, and S. Christopher near *le Stokkes*. Further bequests to the prisoners in Newgate, the sisters of the Hospital of S. James near Westminster, the sisters and poor women of *Elsyngspitel* and of the church of S. Katherine towards the Tower, to the lepers at Hakeneye, to some honest person making a pilgrimage on his behalf to Santiago,<sup>1</sup> and others. To William his son he leaves among other things a *tastour* of silver, a *dorser* of King Richard and Ector of Troye, a pair of *Aundirnes*, the whole of his armour, a *Broche* harnessed with silver and a great sword, a large *trevet*, and a bed with white and red roses. To Johanna his wife he leaves all the utensils of his house, besides his silver girdle *de Wreches*.<sup>2</sup> Further bequests to the nuns of Clerkynewell, Halliwell, Chesthunt, and Kelesbourn; the churches of Bethelhem without Bisschopesgate, S. Antony, S. James de Garlekhyth, &c.; and many individual beneficiaries named. Dated Saturday in Easter week [28 March], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (148).

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**Cully (RICHARD)**, armourer.—To be buried in the house of S. Thomas the Martyr near the Conduit. Bequest to the said house, and provision made for funeral, chantries in the church of S. Mary de Colcheroh, keeping his month's mind, &c.; also to Margaret his wife, his children, Alice, sister of his said wife, Beatrix, daughter of Avelina Culy, William de Gedlygston, and others; as well as to various orders of friars in London and Ware, hospitals, churches, &c. Dated Wednesday next after S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (149).

**Bissheye (THOMAS)**, "tapicer."<sup>3</sup>—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Dyonisius de Bakcherche near Grascherche. Provision

<sup>1</sup> Of Compostella in Galicia, Spain.

<sup>2</sup> Or Girdle of Riches, one made of costly material studded with precious stones, such as Chaucer describes in his translation of the 'Romance of the Rose':—

The Bokell of it was of ston

The mordaunt, wrought in noble gise,  
Was of a stone full precious,  
The barres were of gold full fine,  
Upon a tissue of sattine;

Full heave, great, and nothing light  
In everiche was a besaunt wight.

A girdel ful riche for the nanes  
Of perry and of precious stanes.

<sup>3</sup> A maker of tapestry and carpets. The ordinances of those engaged in the craft are to be found in Riley's 'Memorials' (p. 178). Among his pilgrims Chaucer mentions (Prologue):—

An haberdasher and a carpenter,  
A webbe, a dyer, and a tapisser,

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made for funeral, the keeping of his vigil, month's mind, &c. Bequests for the bells and belfry of the said church of S. Dyonisius, for the maintenance of chantries for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his late wife and others. To Richard his son, Agnes and Katherine his daughters, and various other individuals he leaves sums of money and household chattels. To Agnes his wife forty pounds by way of dower as well of his tenements as of her share of his goods and chattels movable and immovable, and also divers household goods. A tenement in Lymstret, parish of S. Dyonisius aforesaid, to be sold to pay his debts, legacies, &c., and one moiety of the residue to his aforesaid children in equal portions, and the other to be devoted to pious and charitable uses. Also to his said children he leaves his interest in a tenement in the parish of S. Mary de Fancherche. Dated London, 13 June, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (150).

**Norwich** (ROBERT DE), goldsmith.—To be buried in Pardon churchyard (*in Cimiterio veniali*) of S. Paul's Church. Bequests to the said church of S. Paul, the church of S. Vedast, the parish church of Fulham, and the four orders<sup>1</sup> of friars in London for the celebration of masses. To Hamund Chose he leaves one large *planysyng-aneveld*<sup>2</sup> and eight *planysyng-hamers*,<sup>3</sup> to Isabella, daughter of the same, forty shillings for her marriage; to William his apprentice all his implements of trade not disposed of above; to Robert his son, John Faythere, John Litegrave, and others divers sums of money. To the almoner of S. Dunstan<sup>3</sup> five shillings. A messuage and shop in Westchepe to be sold for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Katherine his wife and others. Dated London, Tuesday next before the Feast of Translation of S. Thomas the Martyr [7 July], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (151).

**Leyk** (NICHOLAS DE).—To be buried in the house of S. Thomas de Acres.<sup>4</sup> After a few specific bequests he leaves the residue of

<sup>1</sup> When *four* orders of friars mendicant are mentioned, they are the Preaching Friars, the Minors, the Augustine Friars, and the Carmelites, the Crossed or Crutched Friars being omitted.

<sup>2</sup> To *planish*=to condense, smooth,

and toughen by light blows of a hammer; to polish or *planish* silver goods or tin plate (Ogilvie's 'Imp. Dict.' s.v.).

<sup>3</sup> S. Dunstan being the patron saint of the goldsmiths of London.

<sup>4</sup> Or de Acon, situate in the Poultry.

his goods to Thomas his son to expend upon his corpse, and he wills that his said son, together with all rents and tenements accruing to him at the testator's death, be placed under the guardianship of the Master and Brethren of S. Thomas de Acres or of William de Sallowe, draper. Dated Wednesday the Vigil of Corpus Christi [27 May], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (153).

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**Blyth (JOHN)**, saddler.—To be buried in the church of S. Vedast, to which he makes bequests. His tenement in the parish of S. Vedast to be sold, and specific sums of the proceeds to go to John his son, Beatrix and Alice his daughters. Remits to his apprentices their remaining term of service. John Richeman and John Libek appointed guardians of his aforesaid son. Dated London, Wednesday the morrow of Feast of SS. Peter and Paul [29 June], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (159).

**Botiller (JOHN)**, corder.—To be buried in the great churchyard of S. Paul's. His goods to be divided into three parts, whereof one part he leaves to Agnes his wife, another to his children in equal portions, and of the third part he bequeaths specific sums to the old work of S. Paul's Church and to the image of the Blessed Mary de "Newerk"<sup>1</sup> in the same. Further bequests to the church of All Hallows in Bredstret and the Fraternity of Corpus Christi therein, the church of S. Peter upon Cornhull, the four orders of friars in London for a trental of masses, the chapel of S. John and S. Mary's Church in the vill of Barnet; to Edmund Bailli de Bernet and to John and John, sons of the same; Robert Rolf de Barnet, and others. To Agnes his aforesaid wife he leaves his tenement in Bredstret for life; remainder to Alice, Johanna, and Agnes his daughters in successive tail; remainder over to aforesaid fraternity. Dated London, 14 June, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (160).

**Burel (JOHN, son of JOHN DE, of Askham)**, clerk.—To be buried in the church of S. Dunstan West or in the chapel of S. Margaret's Hospital without Huntynndon. Remits to Dame Elizabeth, wife of Sir Richard de Wilughby, and all other debtors their respective

<sup>1</sup> = of the new work.

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debts. He leaves to certain persons, or any one of them willing to execute his testament, all his tenements in Fletstret and Faitourslane,<sup>1</sup> together with certain rents in the parish of S. Christopher, in trust for the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Symon Flemyng and others. Dated at Fletstrete, 6 July, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (161).

**Outepenne** (ALICE, relict of WILLIAM), daughter of William de Derby.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard, commonly called "Pardoncherchhawe," near the tomb of her late husband. All her goods and chattels to be devoted to payment of debts and pious uses. John de Ware, Chamberlain of S. Paul's, and Thomas Beauchampe her sister's husband appointed executors. Dated London, 1 July, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (162).

**Chedyndon** (WALTER DE).—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Dunstan West near his children. Bequests to the ministers of the said church, the lights of the Blessed Mary and Blessed Katherine therein, and to the parson of the church of S. Audewin<sup>2</sup> within Neuwegate. To Margaret his wife he leaves the reversion of a certain rent in the parish of S. Dunstan aforesaid for life; remainder to Johanna his daughter in tail; remainder to Johanna Druwys his wife's sister; remainder to the Hospital of S. Bartholomew de Smethefeld, so that the brethren of the same have his soul in remembrance. Also to his aforesaid wife tenements in Scholane, parish of S. Andrew near Holborn, in trust for sale for pious uses. The wardship of Richard Elys he leaves to John Deynes, ironmonger, for maintenance and for providing a suitable marriage. Dated London, Sunday next after the Feast of Apostles Peter and Paul [29 June], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (163).

**Wyle** (WILLIAM DE).—To be buried in the church of S. Sepulchre without Newgate near the tomb of Alice his daughter. Bequests to the said church. To Sir Henry de Blakeburn, clerk, and Richard de Dratton he leaves a tenement in the parish of S. Sepulchre in fee, and also his leasehold interest in a tenement

<sup>1</sup> Fetter Lane.| <sup>2</sup> S. Audoen, Owen, or Ewin.

held under the Fraternity of S. Katherine in the aforesaid church, situate in Wendageyneslane and called "le Coldabbeye"; also the custody of the son of John de Kent, late taverner. The residue of his goods he leaves to Agnes his wife and his surviving children. Dated London, Monday the Feast of [Translation of?] S. Edward, King and Martyr [20 June], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (164).

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**Crepulgate** (JOHN DE).—To be buried in the church of S. Peter in Westchepe. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. To William his son he leaves a tenement in the lane called "Abchirchelane" for life, and after the death of the said son and of Katherine the testator's wife the same tenement, together with another in the parish of S. Clement, London, is to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to paying his debts and legacies; the residue to be divided among his children. Dated London, 15 July, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (165).

*Monday next before Feast of Apostles Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Rote** (JOHN), fishmonger.—To be buried in the chapel annexed to the chancel of the church of S. George near Estchepe. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, the five orders of friars in London, the inmates of various hospitals (including the lepers at *la Lokes*) and prisons, &c.; also to Margery and Cecilia his sisters; to Margery and Alice, daughters of Henry Rote; to John, son of William Rote de Northflete; Alice Rote, living within the cloister of S. Elena within Bishopesgate, and others; as well as to the work of London Bridge, S. Paul's Church, the church of S. Thomas Acon, &c. To Alianora his wife by way of dower due to her he leaves a sum of money and divers household chattels; also his tenement in the vill of S. Botolph<sup>1</sup> and in the parish of S. George aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Bequest of rents in the street called "Puddinglane" in the parish of S. Margaret de Briggestret for the maintenance of a perpetual torch to burn in the said parish church. Dated London, 15 June, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (175).

<sup>1</sup> Botolph's Town, or Boston, co. Linc.

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**Essex (JOHN)**, draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Stephen in Colmanstret before the altar of the fraternity therein. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, each house of friars in London, &c. Bequests also to Katherine and Alice his daughters, William, son of Stephen Stronge, his nephew, and others. To Alice his wife for life he leaves tenements and rents in the parishes of S. Laurence in the Jewry and S. Stephen in Colmanstret; remainder to John his son in tail; remainder to his aforesaid daughters. Provision also made for the maintenance of chantries in the church of S. Stephen aforesaid. Dated London, Thursday next after the Feast of Translation of S. Thomas the Martyr [7 July], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (176).

**Flaun (JOHN)**, pepperer.—To be buried in the church of S. Antony, to which he makes divers bequests, as also to London Bridge, the church of S. Paul, the prisoners in Neugate, lepers near London, &c. To John and Nicholas his sons and Isabella his daughter he leaves sums of money. To Katherine his wife one hundred marks by way of dower of all his goods and chattels movable and immovable, and rents in the parish of S. Peter de Cornhull for life; remainder to his children. Dated London, 16 July, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (177).

**Hemenhale (JOHANNA)**, relict of EDMUND.—To be buried in the church of S. Martin le Grand, to which she leaves all her tenements in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen in Melkstret, situate near those belonging to her late brother Thomas, and acquired by her from Henry Cheyner her father and Alice her mother, for the maintenance of a chantry therein. Dated London, XV. Kal. September [18 Aug.], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (178).

**Manhale (ROBERT DE)**, Chandler.—To be buried within the porch of the church of S. Peter upon Cornhull. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, and provision made for maintenance of chantries for the good of his soul, the souls of Isolda his mother and others. Bequests also to the churches of S. Paul and S. Thomas Acon, the Convent of the Hermit Friars of S. Augustine, the Preaching Friars, the Minors and Carmelites

in London, the inmates of hospitals. To William and Robert his sons, and Katherine, Agnes, and Margaret his daughters, he leaves sums of money, silver plate, spoons, &c.; and to Agnes his wife two hundred marks by way of dower. Also to his said wife he leaves tenements in the parish of S. Peter aforesaid for life; remainder to his aforesaid children in successive tail; remainder to pious uses. Should his said wife remarry she and her second husband are to give security for his aforesaid children's portions, to answer for the same to each upon arriving at the age of eighteen years, according to the use and custom of the City of London. Further bequests to the nuns of the house of S. Leonard de Stratford, the house of S. Elena, London, and the nuns of Clerkenewell. Dated London, 20 March, A.D. 1360. Roll 89 (179).

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**Atte Pole (JOHN).**—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Clerkenewell. Bequests to the high altar of Edelmeton;<sup>1</sup> the fabric and high altar of the church of Shordich; to Lucy, wife of John Porter, to Katherine his daughter, various religious orders, &c. To Katherine his wife he leaves his tenements in the City of London for life; remainder to the church and nuns of S. Mary de Clerkenewell for pious uses. Mention made of Juliana his sister, a nun of S. Elena. Dated at Clerkenewell, Thursday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July], A.D. 1361.

Whereupon came Felicia, wife of John de Romeseye, "taillour," and put her claim upon the aforesaid testament. Afterwards came Robert de Stuteville, son of Isabella, sister of John atte Pole, kinsman and heir of the testator, and put his claim.

Roll 89 (180).

**Northwode (RICHARD DE).**—To Robert de Bekenore and Dame Alice, wife of the same, his tenement in S. Martin's Lane near Candelwykstret, parish of S. Martin Orgar. To Dame Alice his mother and Agnes his sister he leaves all his chattels movable and immovable accruing to him at the death of Sir Robert his father. To Johanna his sister forty shillings; and to Agnes his sister two and a half marks out of the sale of "Lovelonde."

<sup>1</sup> Edmonton, co. Middlesex.

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Dated Saturday next before the Feast of Nativity of B. Mary [8 Sept.], A.D. 1361.

Whereupon came John Lynedale and Johanna, wife of the same, in full Husting and put their claim.

Roll 89 (182).

**Wyngefeld (JOHN DE)**, Knt.—To be buried in the church of S. Andrew de Wyngefeld with nine *tapres* and five *morters*<sup>1</sup> of wax. To Thomas de Wyngefeld his brother he leaves a mesuage in Trinite Lane near Quynhithe which he had by feoffment of the Prior and Convent of Bustlesham Montagu.<sup>2</sup> Alianora his wife appointed one of his executors. Dated at Wyngefeld,<sup>3</sup> Tuesday the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (183).

**Wynter (OSBERT)**, poulterer.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Mildred in the Poultry. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; also for maintenance of chantries and tapers on the day of his obit and month's mind. To his children he leaves divers household goods, comprising beds with *testers* and sheets. Further bequests to Alice his nurse, Margaret Colbrond, Johanna his niece, and others. To Mabel his wife he leaves the guardianship of his children, and a tenement in the parish of S. Peter upon Cornhull for life; remainder to his children. Dated London, Thursday the Feast of Annunciation of B.V. Mary [25 March], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (184).

**Plessys (RICHARD DE)**, clerk.—For the maintenance of four chantry priests to celebrate for the good of his soul, the souls of William his father, Mariota his mother, Master Richard de Clare, Dame Elizabeth de Burgo, Sir Simon de Islep, Archbishop of Canterbury, and others he devises certain tenements in the parishes of S. Benedict Fynk and S. Margaret de Lothebury, and the socage of divers tenements in Bradestret and elsewhere, saving a certain socage due from the Archdeacon of Colchester, which he remits. Two chantry priests to serve in the parish church of Staundon in the diocese of London, and one in the

<sup>1</sup> Large candles used at funeral obsequies or "mortuaries" (Riley's 'Memorials,' p. 302 n.).

<sup>2</sup> Or Bysham Montagu, co. Berks, where a priory of Augustinian canons

was founded by William Montagu, Earl of Salisbury, in 1338, still known as Bisham Abbey, on the Thames opposite Great Marlow.

<sup>3</sup> Winkfield, co. Berks.



churches of S. Bartholomew the Less in London and S. Mary le Bow respectively. Dated London, 17 April, A.D. 1359.

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A codicil (*cedula*) annexed to the above testament to the effect that certain tenements should be assigned to the above chantry priests for pious uses. Dated at Staundon, 26 July, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (184\*).

**Costantyn** (JOHN), Alderman.—To Idonia his wife all his tenements, rents, goods, and chattels, to hold during the minority of John his son, provided she remain so long unmarried, otherwise the same to go to his said son in tail; remainder to Idonia and Elizabeth his daughters. Guardians appointed for his aforesaid son. Dated London, 19 September, A.D. 1358. Roll 89 (185)

**Lambyn** (GUIDO), fishmonger.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "Pardonocherchew." Bequests to the churches of S. Paul and S. Magnus the Martyr in Briggstret; also for tapers and other expenses of funeral. To the fabric of the church of the Friars Minors<sup>1</sup> he leaves twenty pounds. To Elizabeth his wife his tenement in Thames Street for life, remainder to his infant *en ventre sa mère* (if any), otherwise the same to be sold, and after payment of specific legacies the residue to be devoted to pious and charitable uses, to the work of S. Paul's Church, London Bridge, &c. Dated London, 15 July, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (186).

**Horwode** (JOHANNA, relict of NICHOLAS).—To be buried in the church of SS. Nicholas and Olave<sup>2</sup> in Bredstret. After bequests to the said church, and provision made for funeral, &c., she leaves to Katherine, daughter of William le Moygn, uncle to the testatrix, certain rents in the parish of S. Michael Queenhithe for life; remainder to pious uses. To Sir Henry de Welwes, rector of the church of SS. Nicholas and Olave, her leasehold interest in certain shops within the parish of SS. Nicholas and Olave. To John Aspland de Wymyngton rents in the parish of S. Michael in the ward of Cornhulle. John de Stodeye appointed guardian of Nicholas her son. Among other bequests are the following:—To

<sup>1</sup> "The church of the Grey Friars has disappeared as completely as that of the Black Friars, its site being now partly a cemetery and partly covered

by the modern Christ Church, Newgate Street" (Loftie's 'Hist. of London,' vol. i. p. 235).

<sup>2</sup> See note *supra*, p. 22.

**A.D. 1361.** William Selycok one hundred shillings, a horse of bay colour, with best saddle and bridle; to John de Cressyngham a remittance of a debt, and a bequest of a horse of grey colour, commonly called "Trottere"; to Sir Henry de Welwes, rector of the aforesaid church of SS. Nicholas and Olave, all her vessels of silver, a portifory of the use of Sarum, &c. Dated London, 7 June, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (187).

**Nasyng (JOHN), "brewere."**—To be buried in the church of S. Mary atte Hull, to which church and ministers thereof he leaves sums of money. All his knives attached to his girdle to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to the work of the church of S. Antonin near Fynkeslane and the new work of the church of S. Mary de Bethlem without Bisshopesgate respectively in equal moieties. Provision made for chantries in the aforesaid church of S. Mary atte Hulle. To Johanna his wife he leaves his tenement in the parish of S. Mary atte Hull for life; remainder to the rector and parishioners of the same in trust for pious uses in the said parish church. Dated London, 15 October, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (188).

**Cornwaille (JOHN DE).**—To be buried in the church of All Hallows de Stanyngcherch. To Katherine his wife he leaves all his tenements in the parish of All Hallows de Stanyngcherche for life, so that she maintain Eleanora and Katherine his daughters, and give them ten pounds upon their coming of age; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses for the good of his soul and the souls of Felicia de Kent, William le Englissh, and others. Dated London, Saturday next before the Feast of Nativity of S. John Baptist [24 June], 35 Edward III. [A.D. 1361].

Roll 89 (189).

**Colewyk (HUGH DE).**—To Simon de Worstede, Alderman of Crepelgate, tenements and rents in the parish of S. Alban de Wodestret, subject to charges as set out in the will of William de Everdon,<sup>1</sup> enrolled in the Husting for Pleas of Land held on Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 January], 22 Edward III. [A.D. 1347–8]. Dated 7 July, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (190).

<sup>1</sup> Part I. p. 500.

**Cory (JOHN)**, draper.—To be buried in S. Paul's Church. Bequests to the church of S. Augustine near S. Paul's and ministers thereof. To John Itillecote, draper, and Margery, wife of the same, certain rents formerly belonging to Richard Cory his father in Westchepe and elsewhere, so that they maintain a chantry in the aforesaid church of S. Augustine. Dated London, Monday next before the Feast of Exaltation of H. Cross [14 Sept.], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (191).

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**Botiller (JOHN)**, draper. — To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas Hacon. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, to various orders of friars, &c. Provision made for general expenses and keeping his month's mind. To Isabella his wife by way of dower he leaves twenty marks and her entire chamber; a cup with covercle of silver standing upon three lions, called "Biker," with a representation of S. John the Evangelist upon the bottom; twelve best spoons with gilt acorns; and all his jewels, rings, fermails, and *paternostres*. To John de Walcote similar household chattels. To John, son of the aforesaid Isabella, twenty shillings. To the use of the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid he leaves a silver cup, with the royal arms of England enamelled on the bottom, for making a chalice therewith, and two silver-gilt stands for mazer cups for making a thurible. A certain tenement and garden in the parish of S. Botolph in Aldresgate Street, and certain rents payable by Sir William Milksop, Knt., and the Abbot of Waldene in the same parish, to be sold for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid. Also to John de Walcote a brewery called "la Dragoun" in Dounegate, parish of S. Mary de Bothawe; a tenement called "le Catfethell"<sup>1</sup> in parish of S. Benedict Shorhogg, and another situate opposite the church of S. Pancras. Bequest to Thomas Torell and Elizabeth, wife of the same, of a silver cup respectively, and to the latter he adds ten plain silver spoons. Dated Friday next after the Feast of Nativity of B.V. Mary [8 Sept.], A.D. 1361.—Also he wills that Isabella his wife enjoy for life certain tenements in the parishes of S. Nicholas Acon and S. Mary

<sup>1</sup> "The Cat and Fiddle": the mention of this sign thus early effectually disposes of the suggestion that it is derived from a certain *Coton fidèle*, a staunch Protestant in the reign of Queen Mary.

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de Bothawe; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses in the respective parish churches. To the use of the former parish church he also leaves all his broken silver (*totum argentum meum fractum*), and a large seal with shield engraved with a cross hanging therefrom by a chain.

Whereupon came John Walcote and put his claim upon the aforesaid testament.

Roll 89 (192).

**Brekynnden** (JOHN), "sadelere."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Mary de Abbecherche. To Johanna Lyndeseye his wife he leaves his tenement in the parish of S. Michael in Crokedelane, formerly belonging to William his father, in trust for the good of his soul. Dated London, the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (193).

**Bole** (NICHOLAS), skinner.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "Pardoncherchewe." Bequests for the maintenance of chantries in the churches of S. Stephen de Walbrok and S. Antonin for the good of his soul, the souls of John his father, Emma his mother, John, Simon, and Katherine (*sic*), and others. To Agnes his wife he leaves rents in the parish of S. Stephen aforesaid for life; remainder to the maintenance of chantries in the aforesaid church of S. Antonin for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes his wife, John his brother, Simon de Pulham and Katherine, wife of the same, and others. Dated London, 1 June, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (194).

**Benyngton or Bedyngton** (NICHOLAS), mercer.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "Pardoncherchawe." To Cristiana his wife, by way of dower, he leaves five shops in Kyrounlane, parish of S. John Zakary, near his capital tenement in Fasterslane,<sup>1</sup> for life; remainder to William his son. Also to the said William his capital tenement with shop annexed for life, provided he take holy orders and become a chaplain to pray for his soul before the said William arrive at the age of twenty-five years; in default the same to be sold for pious uses. Mention made of Alice, a former wife. John his son appointed his principal executor. Dated

<sup>1</sup> S. Vedast or Foster Lane.

London, Tuesday next after the Feast of H. Trinity [16 June],  
A.D. 1359. Roll 89 (195).

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**Bedeford** (JOHN DE), woolmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Martin Orgar. To Albreda his wife he leaves a moiety of all his goods and chattels whatsoever. Certain tenements which he and his said wife had acquired from Andrew Salman, late fishmonger, situate in S. Martin Orgar Lane, in the parishes of S. Martin and S. Laurence de Candelwykstret, to be sold after the decease of his wife, and the proceeds devoted to pious uses. Dated London, 13 October, A.D. 1352. Roll 89 (197).

**Oxenford** (JOHN DE), skinner.—To be buried in the church of S. Stephen upon Walbrok near the tomb of his late wife. To Richard his son he leaves tenements near Horshobrigg in the parish of S. John upon Walbrok, in Candelwykstret, parish of S. Martin Orgar, as well as in the parish of S. Margaret de Briggestrete, in tail; remainder to Thomas de Oxeneford, the testator's brother, in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. To Adam Fraunceys all his tenements in Fynkeslane, parish of S. Michael de Cornhull, so that he distribute one hundred pounds, in specified sums, among Alice, mother of Katherine his last wife, Cecilia, sister of the said Katherine, and Thomas his brother, the residue being devoted to pious uses. Richard his son is desired, on pain of losing the testator's blessing (*sub benedictione mea*), to give a deed of quitclaim to Henry de Malmesburi for a tenement acquired by the said Henry from the testator in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen without the Northgate of the vill of Oxford, within one month after his decease. Dated London, Sunday the Feast of S. Peter ad Vincula [1 August], A.D. 1361.—Also to Richard his son he leaves two silver cups with covercles to match (*de una secta*), a tower of glass<sup>1</sup> (*tour de veer*), together with a portion of the aforesaid one hundred pounds. His executors are desired to enrol a deed of feoffment of a tenement which he lately sold to Roger de Claveryngg, situate in Cornhull, parish of S. Christopher, London, as soon as possible. Roll 89 (198).

<sup>1</sup> Probably a tall glass set in gold or silver, or it may be a gold or silver vessel modelled after the fashion of one

of glass. (See the will of Richard Costantyn, Part I. p. 482.)

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**Atte Dich** (JOHN), "Plomer de Candelwykstret," of the parish of S. Martin Orgar.—To be buried in the said parish church. His tenement in S. Martin Orgar Lane to be sold for the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church. Avice his wife appointed one of his executors. Dated XV. Kal. September [15 Aug.], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (199).

**Pyk** (JOHANNA, relict of NICHOLAS).—To be buried in the tomb of her late husband in the churchyard of S. Dunstan towards the Tower. All her lands, houses, gardens, &c., in the parishes of S. Dunstan aforesaid and All Hallows de Berkyngcherche to be sold for the maintenance of chantries for the good of her soul, the souls of her late husband, Hugh de Wychyngham her brother, and others, for the space of five years in the said church of S. Dunstan, and for payment of legacies to Agnes and Margaret her daughters, &c. To Henry de Bruselee she leaves her share of a tenement in Martelane, parish of All Hallows aforesaid, subject to certain charges, in default of which the same is to go to Fulk de Horewode, merchant. Dated London, 10 August, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (200).

**Ysilham** (THOMAS).—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Brigid in Fletestrete. All his tenements in Fletestrete to be sold for payment of debts and legacies, and the residue to be devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Brigid aforesaid. Dated London, Saturday next after the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul [29 June], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (201).

**Lenham** (EDMUND DE), fishmonger.—To be buried under the stone where lies Avice his late wife in the church of S. George. To Johanna his wife he leaves all his lands and tenements in the City of London for life, charged with the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of John de Grentham, Avice and Johanna [his wives], and others; remainder to similar uses. The residue of his goods within the City of London and in Great Jernemuthe<sup>1</sup> he leaves, one half to Johanna his wife, and the other half to Edmund and Sibil his children. Dated London,

<sup>1</sup> Great Yarmouth.

Friday next after the Feast of Nativity of B.V. Mary [8 Sept.],  
A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (202).

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**Blount (HUGH DE), Knt.**—To John his son his tenement in Conynghoplane,<sup>1</sup> parish of S. Mildred in the Poultry, in tail; remainder over. To Thomas his son tenements within the gate of the Scoldynghous<sup>2</sup> and tenement lately recovered from Johanna, wife of John Auncel, in the parish of S. James de Garlikhuth, by writ of Gavelet,<sup>3</sup> together with other tenements, rents, &c., in the parishes of S. Mildred, S. Vedast, S. Mary de Wolcherchewawe, and elsewhere, to hold in tail; remainder to the testator's right heirs. Further bequests to Andrew Grauncourt, goldsmith, and John Lucas, clerk. Dated at "Gengeioriberd laundry,"<sup>4</sup> Saturday next after the Feast of Exaltation of H. Cross [14 Sept.], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (204).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Leonard [6 Nov.].*

**Forneux (ROBERT), fishmonger.**—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Leonard de Estchep, where the bodies of his children lie buried. To Johanna his wife he leaves all his lands, tenements, and rents in the parishes of S. Leonard de Estchepe and S. Margaret de Briggestrete for life; remainder to Alice his daughter in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, 1 July, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (222).

**Bray (ROBERT DE), spurrier and moneyer.**—To be buried in the church of S. Martin within Ludgate, where Agnes his first wife lies buried. Bequests to the said church for lights, &c., and provision made for chantries therein. To Johanna his wife he leaves all his tenements for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious

<sup>1</sup> "Then is Conyhope Lane, of old time so called of such a sign of three conies hanging over a poulterer's stall at the lane's end" (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 99).

<sup>2</sup> Scalding House, Scalding Wick, or Scalding Alley; situate near the Stocks Market, and called so from poulterers scalding and dressing their poultry there (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 82).

<sup>3</sup> See note Part I. p. 147.

<sup>4</sup> Ging - joiberd - laundry, otherwise Butsbury, co. Essex. Whence the name is derived it is difficult to say. *Ging* is supposed to be identical with A.-S. *ing*, signifying a meadow, *e. g.*, Ingatestone; and *laund* is defined as an open field without wood. As to the combination *Joyberd-laundry*, Morant in his history of the county of Essex (vol. ii. p. 48) declares his inability to account for it.

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uses in the aforesaid church. Dated London, Wednesday the Eve of the Ascension [6 May], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (224).

**Turk (WILLIAM)**, senior, fishmonger.—To be buried according to the directions of John Asshewell, a monk of the same place (*sic*). Also to the convent of the same monastery (*sic*) he leaves one hundred marks of silver. To the convent of the Monastery of S. Mary de Suthwerk he leaves for pious uses the sum of ten pounds which is due to him for Waddon<sup>1</sup> (*pro quadam impensione de Waddon*) from Adam de Hoghton, rector of the church of Croydon; and also a shop in the parish of S. Margaret de Briggstret. Further bequests to Sir Richard, the parish chaplain of the church of S. Mary Magdalen de Suthwerk, the work of London Bridge, the work of the church of S. George near Estchepe, &c. Dated within the cloister of the Monastery of S. Mary de Suthwerk, 4 February, A.D. 1360. Roll 89 (225).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Sallowe (WILLIAM)**, draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Thomas de Acon. To Alice his wife he leaves his leasehold interest in certain shops in Cordewanerstret and Watlyngstret, provided she remain unmarried. The Master of the House of S. Thomas aforesaid appointed guardian of John, son and heir of John Costantyn; and if the said John die during minority, the said Master is to have the custody of Idonia, daughter of the aforesaid John Costantyn, he finding surety for the same in the Chamber of the Guildhall according to the custom. Thomas de Salowe his brother mentioned. Children mentioned, but not named. Dated London, Wednesday the Feast of Translation of S. Thomas the Martyr [7 July], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (240).

**Balton (ROGER DE)**.—Bequests to the church of S. Mary de Aldermariecherche. To Johanna his wife lands and tenements at Lamberdesnull, parish of S. Peter the Less, in Sopereslane, parish of S. Antonin, and in the parish of S. Peter de Cornhull, for life; remainder to William and Richard his brothers. The residue of his goods to be divided into two equal parts, one part to go to his

<sup>1</sup> A village near Croydon.



aforesaid wife, and the other to be devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 23 October, A.D. 1361.—Notwithstanding the premises, he further leaves to the aforesaid church of S. Mary de Aldermariecherche a tenement which he jointly acquired with others from Sir William de Bukby, rector of the said church, situate in Cordewanerstreet in the same parish. Roll 89 (241).

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**Sadelyngstanes** (HUGH DE), Recorder of London.—To be buried in the church of S. John Zakary, to which church he leaves a sum of money. William de Strother, Mayor of the town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, to be guardian of John his son, and of tenements in Basingeshawe and in the Poultry, during minority, so that the said William pay to Isabella his wife two hundred marks for the marriage of his said son. Also to his said son he leaves all the aforesaid tenements in tail; remainder to Adam his son. To his aforesaid wife for life a tenement in the parish of S. John Zakary; remainder to his said sons in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. His vestment of *velvett* to be sold for pious uses. Dated London, Friday next after the Feast of S. Botolph [17 June], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (242).

**Macchyng** (WILLIAM DE), draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas Acon. Provision made for chantries in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Richard his father, Cristina his mother, James le Botiller and Agnes, wife of the same, and others. Bequests to six of the poorest of his family at Macching;<sup>1</sup> to the Prior and Convent of S. Mary without Bisshoppesgate for pittance; to various orders of friars; to each anchorite of London; the lazars without Suthwerkbarre and at Hakeneie, &c. To Alice de Warlee and Isabella her daughter, Laurence Constable, and others he makes bequests of money or chattels. To Alianora his wife, by way of dower of all his movables, he leaves sixty pounds sterling, a cup called "Note," cups of silver and mazer, silver spoons; also her entire chamber, with chalons, sheets, &c., and all his vessels and chests. To Christina and Isabella his daughters he leaves sums of money and household chattels, comprising a large chest standing in his parlour, silver

<sup>1</sup> Matching, co. Essex.

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spoons with silver-gilt acorns, silver cups with swords on the bottom (*cum gladiis in fundo*), &c. Also to Alianora his wife all his tenements in the parish of S. John de Walbrok for life; remainder to his next heir. The residue of his goods to be divided into two parts, one to go to his aforesaid wife, and the other to be devoted to pious uses. Dated London, 22 May, A.D. 1349. Roll 89 (243).

**Kyngham** (LAPIN DE), carpenter.—To Emma his wife all his tenements in the parish of S. Margaret Patyns for life, and all his goods and chattels, provided she remain unmarried and chaste; remainder to pious uses. Richard de Causton, mercer, mentioned as one of his executors. Dated London, Saturday the Feast of Exaltation of H. Cross [14 Sept.], A.D. 1359. Roll 89 (244).

**Patrik** (RICHARD).—To be buried in the church of S. Benedict de Grascherch. To William his son and Emma his daughter he leaves silver and mazer cups, &c. To Alice his wife his tenement in Grascherchestret and parish of S. Benedict aforesaid for life, subject to a term of years held by Richard Durhulle; remainder to William his son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, 17 December, A.D. 1360. Roll 89 (245).

**Cori** (RICHARD), butcher.—To be buried in the church of S. Leonard in Estchepe. To William and John his sons certain rents in the parish of S. Leonard aforesaid in successive tail; remainder to his right heirs. Edith his wife appointed his principal executor. Dated London, Thursday, 7 August, A.D. 1343.

Whereupon came John Utlicote, draper, and put his claim upon the said testament.

Roll 89 (246).

**Gilbert** (JOHN), "bakere."—To be buried in the church of S. Brigid before the image of S. Katherine which he gave to the chapel of S. Mary in the said church. To Margery his wife he leaves his tenement in Fletestret for life; remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of chantries in the aforesaid church for the good of his soul, the souls of Margery his wife and others.

Dated London, Friday, the Feast of SS. Philip and James [1 May],  
35 Edward III. [A.D. 1361].

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

**Passele** (EDMUND DE), Knt.—To be buried in the new chancel of the church of Smethe.<sup>1</sup> All his tenements in London near Oldefisshstret to be sold for payment of debts and for pious uses. Johanna his wife appointed one of his executors. Dated Smethe, Thursday next after the Feast of S. Peter ad Vincula [1 Aug.], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (255).

**Lacer or Lacier** (RICHARD<sup>2</sup>), mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Peter de Bromlegh.<sup>3</sup> To Isabella his wife his tenement near Eldefisshstret for life, with remainder to Richard his son in tail; also an adjoining tenement and a shop in the parish of S. Michael le Quern in fee. Also to his said wife a tenement in parish of S. Mary de Aldermannebury and a seld in Soperlane for life; remainder to his aforesaid son in tail. His tenements in the parish of S. Michael de Paternostercherch to be sold for pious and charitable uses. To his aforesaid son he leaves all his tenements in the parishes of S. Laurence, Old Jewry, and S. Nicholas at the Shambles. Dated Bromlegh, Sunday the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July], 35 Edward III. [A.D. 1361].

Whereupon came William Brun, Alice, wife of the same, and Katherine, wife of John atte Pole, and put their claim upon the aforesaid testament as to tenements therein devised.

Roll 89 (256).

**Lacer or Lacier** (RICHARD).—Also to Isabella his wife he leaves the wardship and marriage of Richard his son, together with all rents, tenements, &c., belonging to the said son, during minority.

<sup>1</sup> Smeeth, co. Kent.

<sup>2</sup> A Richard le Lacer appears as Alderman of Farringdon Ward in a deed purporting to convey property in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate in 1335—Hust. Roll 63 (44)—or within a year of the decease of Nicholas de Farndon, who, as we have seen, devised the aldermanry of that ward to John de Pulteney (Part I. p. 398). Whether the latter became thereby alderman of the ward *de facto* it is hard to say. He could only have been so for

a very short time. That he was not an alderman at the time of his decease we may conjecture from no mention of his aldermanry having been made in his will (Part I. pp. 609–10). The election of Richard Lacer is not recorded, but he continued to be Alderman of Farringdon till long after Pulteney's death, his resignation taking place in 1357, when John de Chichester was elected in his place (City Records, Letter-Book G, fol. 66).

<sup>3</sup> Bromley, co. Kent.

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Certain rents issuing from a seld in Soperlane, and from a tenement in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermannebury, to be devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the parish church of Bromlegh in the diocese of Rochester. Dated Bromlegh, Tuesday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July], A.D. 1361.

Whereupon came William Brun, Alice, wife of the same, and Katherine, wife of John atte Pole, and put their claim upon the aforesaid testament, &c.

Roll 89 (257).

**Lacer or Lacier** (ISABELLA, relict of RICHARD, late mercer).—To be buried in the churchyard of the parish church of Bromlegh in the diocese of Rochester. To Agnes, late wife of John, son of Richard her late husband, she leaves her tenement in the parish of S. Peter near Oldefishstret for life; remainder to William Randolph her son for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Houses in the parish of S. Michael le Quern to be also sold for similar uses. Dated Thursday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (258).

*Monday the Feast of S. Nicholas [6 Dec.].*

**Martyn** (JOHN) de Asshe, co. Kent.—To Richard his son the reversion of his tenement in the parish of S. Michael de la Crokedelane after the decease of Felicia his wife, on condition that the said Richard maintain two fitting chaplains for the good of his soul, the souls of Felicia aforesaid, Juliana his late wife, and others; one of the said chaplains to celebrate in the church of S. Michael aforesaid, and the other in the church of Asshe. Dated London, 8 May, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (262).

**Guldeford** (ROBERT DE), draper.—To be buried in S. Mary's Chapel in the church of S. Augustine near S. Paul's Gate. To Johanna his wife he leaves all his tenements in the parish of S. Augustine aforesaid for life; remainders to Henry his son, Rosia, Matilda, and Margery his daughters, in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. His wife appointed guardian of his aforesaid children during minority. Dated London, 12 May, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (263).

**Guldeford** (JOHANNA, relict of ROBERT DE, late draper).—To be buried near her late husband. To Henry her son and Rosia her daughter she leaves sums of money and household chattels, comprising beds, pots, pans, a *Bykere*, &c. Guardians appointed for her said children. The residue of her goods to be devoted to pious uses in the church of S. Augustine near S. Paul's Gate. Dated London, 27 May, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (264).

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*Monday the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Michael**,<sup>1</sup> unworthy minister of the Church in London.—To be buried at the entrance of S. Paul's Church. Directions for funeral obsequies; bequests for marriage portions for poor girls, to poor householders, more especially bondmen (*nativis*)<sup>2</sup> of the Bishop of London, and others. The sum of one hundred pounds to be devoted to the maintenance of poor scholars of the civil and canon law at Oxford for the space of four years, and twenty pounds to their master. Bequests to religious houses at Lesnes,<sup>3</sup> Chesthunte,<sup>4</sup> Wykes,<sup>5</sup> Stratford,<sup>6</sup> Berdene,<sup>7</sup> and Thele.<sup>8</sup> To the Chamber of London ten pounds, and a similar sum for repair of roads in Essex. To Michael Fre he leaves his books on the civil law and his own *magnum opus*, called a concordance of law and canons; also an entire suit of armour, a missal without music, a small Bible, three silver dishes, salts, a *Byker* called "Katherine," an amice, cope, &c. To Thomas, brother of the said Michael, to each of his servants, to Richard de Ambraslee, John de Cauntebrigg, fishmonger, and others, he leaves sums of money and household goods; and to his successor his best mitre and pontifical ring. He further leaves the sum of two thousand pounds for the foundation of a house according to the ritual of the Carthusian Order in a place commonly called "Neuchirchewawe," where there is a church of the Annunciation of the B.V. Mary, which place

<sup>1</sup> Michael de Northburgh, Archdeacon of Suffolk and Canon of S. Paul's; elected Bishop of London 22 April, 1354; *ob.* 9 September, 1361. His will, with fragment of seal attached, is preserved among the archives of S. Paul's Cathedral, and an abstract of it is printed in the Appendix to the Ninth Report of the Hist. MSS. Com., p. 47 b.

<sup>2</sup> See note *supra*, p. 33.

<sup>3</sup> Co. Kent.

<sup>4</sup> Co. Herts.

<sup>5</sup> Or Sopwicke, co. Essex.

<sup>6</sup> Stratford Langthorne, co. Essex.

<sup>7</sup> Or Bierdon, co. Essex.

<sup>8</sup> Stansted le Thele, or St. Margarets, co. Herts.

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and patronage he acquired from Sir Walter de Manny;<sup>1</sup> and he leaves to the said house when complete divers basins for use at the high altar, a silver vessel enamelled for containing the Host, his best silver stoup (*meliozem stopam*) for the holy water, with sprinkler, silver bell, &c., as well as all his rents and tenements in London. Also he leaves one thousand marks, to be placed in a chest to stand in the treasury of S. Paul's, for advancing loans upon security to different persons according to their degree; thus a poor man of the lower orders might borrow ten pounds; the dean and greater canons, twenty pounds; the bishop, forty or forty-five pounds; and other nobles or burgesses of the City, twenty pounds. Dated X. Kal. June [23 May], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (272).

**Beaumes** (GERARD DE), tailor.—To Alice his wife for life a tenement in S. Andrew Huberdlane, parish of S. Dionisius de Grascherch; remainder to John Lucie, "taillour," his servant, so that the said John, his heirs and assigns, pray for his soul and the souls of John his father, Beatrix his mother, Ella his late wife, and others. Dated London, 20 February, 35 Edward III. [A.D. 1360-1], A.D. 1341 (*sic*). Roll 89 (273).

**Neweman** (WILLIAM).—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Giles without Crepelgate. His tenement called "le ledenporch" in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid to be sold to pay his debts. To Cecilia his wife his dwelling-house in the same parish for life; remainder to William his son. Dated London, Wednesday, viz., 17 November, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (275).

**Rous** (ALAN).—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Andrew upon Cornhull. To Alice his wife for life all his lands, tenements, and rents in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, 30 June, A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (276).

<sup>1</sup> When the Black Death was raging in 1349 he purchased a parcel of land lying in a place called "Spittle Cross," from its belonging to S. Bartholomew's Hospital, afterwards called "New Church Haw," and caused the same to be consecrated for a burial-ground. In 1371 he also caused a house of Carthusian

monks to be built there, and to be called the "Salutation" (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 161). The church here mentioned is referred to as the chapel of Neucherchehaw in West Smythfeld in the will of Richard atte Moure, *supra*, p. 26.

**Langele** (ADAM), butcher.—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas in the Shambles. To Emma his wife for life his tenement situate at the corner of Pestcoostlane<sup>1</sup> (*sic*), parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid; remainder to John his son for life; remainder to the maintenance of a perpetual chantry in the said church of S. Nicholas. Dated London, Sunday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (278). A.D.  
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**Fulham** (THOMAS DE) de Plumstede.—To be buried before the altar of B.V. Mary in the church of Plumstede. To Thomas and John his sons a shop in Briggstret, parish of S. Magnus the Martyr, and rents in the parish of S. Michael de la Crokedelane, in successive tail; remainder as to the said shop in trust for sale for pious uses, and as to the aforesaid rents, to John Arderne, fishmonger, to whom also he leaves his cellar called “Drynke-waterres-taverne” situate in the parish of S. Magnus aforesaid. Also to the said John his son one hundred shillings quitrent in Tamisestret, parish of S. Michael aforesaid, in tail; remainder to the aforesaid Thomas in tail; remainder to pious uses. John Arderne appointed guardian of his said sons and of their goods during minority. Dated Plumpstede, 26 September, A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (279).

**Stable** (JOHN), mercer.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Laurence in the Jewry. To Richard and Thomas his sons and to Isabella his daughter in successive tail he leaves his tenement in the lane and parish of S. Laurence aforesaid; remainder to the infant with which Johanna his wife is *enceinte*. Also to his said children a tenement in Colemanstret and the moiety of a shop in Sopereslane. Certain sums of money which he also leaves to his children are to remain in the hands of John Dallyng and John Wysebech his apprentices to trade withal, and one moiety of the profits is to go to his said wife for the maintenance of his children during minority, and the other to be kept by the said apprentices for their trouble. Dated London, 12 December, A.D. 1360.

Roll 89 (280).

**Warlee** (ALICE DE).—To be buried in the church of S. Magnus the Martyr. To Thomas her son all her tenements in the City of

<sup>1</sup> Pentecost Lane.

**A.D. 1361.** London in tail; remainder to Elianora, wife of Ralph de Lynne. Dated at her dwelling-house in the parish of S. Magnus aforesaid the morrow of the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March], A.D. 1356. Roll 89 (281).

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**Atte Wode** (RICHARD) de Herlawe.<sup>1</sup>—To be buried in the parish church of Herlawe. To Sir John Clobbe, chaplain, William Aylmer, Walter, son of John Campioun, and John Page, he leaves a tenement called “Redebachous”<sup>2</sup> in S. Clement’s Lane. Dated III. Nones October [13 Oct.], A.D. 1361. Roll 89 (287).

**Middelton** (JOHN DE), clerk.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Wengham.<sup>3</sup> To Robert Hanley his kinsman he leaves all his tenements, shops, and rents in Kyrenlane, parish of S. James de Garlekhithe. Dated at Calais,<sup>4</sup> 2 September, 34 Edward III. [A.D. 1360].

Whereupon came Thomas de St. Alban and put his claim upon the aforesaid testament.

Roll 89 (294).

**Lambourne** (THOMAS DE).—To be buried in the church of Polsted.<sup>5</sup> His tenement and rent in the parish of S. Andoen near Crychech<sup>6</sup> he leaves to his executors for the purpose of raising a marriage portion for Johanna his daughter; the residue to pious uses. Elizabeth his wife mentioned. Dated at Polsted, Saturday next before the Feast of S. John Baptist [24 June], A.D. 1361.

Roll 89 (295).

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*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

**Gloucestre** (JOHN, son of JOHN DE), fishmonger.—Bequest to the high altar of the church of S. Mary Mountenhaut. His lands

<sup>1</sup> Harlow, co. Essex.

<sup>2</sup> Red bake-house, unless it be “Redebathous” = Red bath-house.

<sup>3</sup> Wingham (?), co. Kent.

<sup>4</sup> It is noteworthy that Calais was reserved to King Edward III. by the Peace of Bretigni, signed 8 May, 1360.

<sup>5</sup> Polstead, co. Suffolk.

<sup>6</sup> The church of S. Andoen, Owen, or Ewin was in later times given by Henry VIII. towards the erection of Christ Church, Newgate (Stow’s ‘Survey,’ Thoms’s ed., p. 128).



and tenements at Saltwharf he leaves to Stephen de Longgoveye and John Graveneye, so that they maintain two perpetual chaplains in the said church of S. Mary. Certain lands and tenements in Wyvenelane and Oldefisshstrete to be sold for pious uses. Dated Jernemuth,<sup>1</sup> Friday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.], A.D. 1361. A.D.  
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*Monday next after the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

**Grofhurst** (HENRY DE), Rector of the church of Horsmondenn.<sup>2</sup> — To be buried in the chancel of S. Margaret at Horsmondenn. To the church of S. Mary de Begeham,<sup>3</sup> the canons of the same, and to Thomas atte Forde de Begham all his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Margaret in Briggestret and S. Botolph near Billynggesgate for the maintenance of a chantry for the soul of Richard de Grofhurst his brother and others in the church of S. Mary at Horton,<sup>4</sup> near Derteford. Also to the said Thomas atte Forde he leaves all his lands and tenements at Grascherche, parish of All Hallows, and elsewhere in trust for pious uses. Dated Sunday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.], A.D. 1361.

Whereupon came John de Asshebournehamme and put his claim upon the aforesaid testament.

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*Monday the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

**Salesbury** (AGNES, formerly wife of ADAM<sup>5</sup> DE), and afterwards wife of John Hamond,<sup>6</sup> both being pepperers.—To be buried in the tomb of Adam [de] Salesbury her former husband in the church of S. Mary de Bothawe. A certain tenement in the parish of S. Swithin in Candelwykstret to be devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church for the good of her soul and the souls of her aforesaid husbands. One moiety of the residue of her goods to go to Thomas her son, and the other to be devoted to pious uses. Dated Thursday, 7 October, A.D. 1361.

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<sup>1</sup> Yarmouth.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Kent.

<sup>3</sup> Beigham, parish of Trant, co. Sussex.

<sup>4</sup> Horton Kirby, near Dartford, co. Kent.

<sup>5</sup> Or Adam de Sarum, whose will is enrolled Part I. p. 361. Here we have an instance of a woman who has lost two husbands reverting to the name of the first. (See note *supra*, p. 9.)

<sup>6</sup> Will enrolled Part I. p. 515.

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**Grooz** (ALIANORA, late wife of OLIVER LE).—To be buried in the church of All Hallows de Berkyngherche before the altar of S. Nicholas. To Sir Thomas de Cokefeld she leaves certain houses in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid. Dated London, Friday next after the Feast of H. Trinity [23 May], A.D. 1361.

Roll 90 (9).

**Cortenhale** (RICHARD DE), the King's Sergeant-at-Arms.—To be buried in the church of the Friars Hermit of the Augustinian Order.<sup>1</sup> Certain tenements in the parish of S. Botolph without Bisshoppesgate to be sold for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice de Poynton and others. To Margaret his wife, by way of dower and in satisfaction of all claims, as well as for the maintenance of Johanna his daughter, he leaves tenements in the parish of S. Bartholomew (Botolph?) aforesaid and elsewhere; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Also to his aforesaid daughter one hundred marks for her marriage. Dated London, the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.], A.D. 1361.

Roll 90 (10).

**Montkoy** (HENRY), fishmonger.—To Isabella his wife his brew-house, &c., at Quenehethe, parish of S. Michael, to hold for life by way of dower; remainder to the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. James de Garlekheth. Also to his said wife houses and shops in the parishes of S. James aforesaid and S. Michael de Paternostercherch so long as she remain unmarried; remainder to Roger his son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Also to his said son he leaves his house in S. Martin Orgar Lane, parish of S. Laurence in Candelwykstret, and the moiety of a shop in Briggestret, parish of S. Magnus, in tail; remainders over to John his son and to pious uses. To Katherine his daughter shops in the parish of S. James aforesaid. Dated at his dwelling-house at Garlekheth, Wednesday next after Feast of S. Michael [29 Sept.], A.D. 1342.

Roll 90 (11).

*Monday before the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

**Bristoll** (CECILIA, relict of JOHN DE, late butcher).—To be buried

<sup>1</sup> The church of the Austin Friars. | buried there rivalling those buried in  
Stow gives a list of remarkable persons | the church of the Grey Friars.

in the church of S. Nicholas at the Shambles near the tomb of her late husband. To the executors of Cecilia, former wife of John de Bristoll, late butcher, she leaves certain shops for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid for the good of her soul, the souls of John de Bristoll aforesaid and Cecilia his wife, Walter, son of the said Cecilia, Nicholas de Bristowe, and others. Dated London, Saturday next after the Feast of S. Sebastian [20 Jan.], A.D. 1361. Roll 90 (20).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Rycher** (THOMAS), chaplain.—To be buried in the churchyard of H. Trinity the Great. Bequests to the said church and canons of the same; to John Rycher his kinsman, Margery and Loyssa Rycher, Mabel and Matilda Rycher. To the Prior and Convent of the church of H. Trinity he leaves tenements, a wharf, &c., in the parishes of S. Mary atte Hull, H. Trinity the Great, and S. Botolph without Algate. Further bequests to various religious orders, as well as to Master John de Cantebregg, William de Wardon, and others. Dated London, Wednesday the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.], A.D. 1360. Roll 90 (23).

*Monday next before F. of Annunciation of V. Mary [25 March].*

**Kedyngton** (GEOFFREY DE), Rector of the church of S. Dunstan West.—To be buried in the choir of his church. To William de Sutton and Roger de Bromley, clerks, he leaves his tenement in Fletestrete. Dated at his tenement in Fletestrete, 27 May, A.D. 1361. Roll 90 (32).

*Monday next after F. of Annunciation of V. Mary [25 March].*

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**Oxon** (JOHN DE), marshal.—To Johanna his wife a tenement with shops in the parish of S. Augustine near S. Paul's for life; remainder in trust for sale for payment of debts, &c., and the residue to be divided among his children. Dated 4 February, 31 Edward III. [A.D. 1356-7]. Roll 90 (36).

**Maudnyt** (WILLIAM), Rector of the church of Herthull<sup>1</sup> in the diocese of York.—His tenement called "Blakehalle" in Wode-

<sup>1</sup> Harthill, co. York.

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strete, parish of S. Michael, to be sold for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of John, late Earl of Surrey, William his father, Matilda his mother, Sir Thomas his brother, and others. His burgage situate in the street called "Wynchestrestrete," in the parish of S. Thomas the Martyr in the city of New Sarum, to be sold, and a portion of the proceeds to go to the wife and children of William Harpedene. Dated at Exton<sup>1</sup> in the diocese of Winchester, 1 December, A.D. 1361. Roll 90 (37).

**Manschhipe** (ALEXANDER), weaver.—To be buried in the churchyard of All Hallows de Stanyngcherch in the tomb where Agnes his mother was buried. To Avelina his wife he leaves certain tenements in Martlane for life; remainders over to Gunnora his daughter and to Margery her daughter (subject to an annual charge paid to John his son) for their lives; remainder to Katherine his daughter for life, with further remainders to Richard, John, and Matilda her children. His aforesaid wife is charged with the expenses of keeping his obit, maintenance of certain chantries, &c. Dated London, Friday next before the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.], 23 Edward III. [A.D. 1348-9].

Roll 90 (39).

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Wynchecombe** (RICHARD DE), armourer.—To be buried in the church of S. Thomas de Accon near the Conduit. To Agnes his wife all his lands, rents, and tenements in the parish of S. Dionisius and elsewhere, within the City of London or without, for life; remainder to his children in equal portions; remainder in default of heirs of their bodies in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses, John, son of Geoffrey de Wynchecombe, being preferred as purchaser of the same. Dated London, Sunday next after the Feast of S. Boniface [5 June], A.D. 1361. Roll 90 (40).

**Brocher** (PETER), pouchmaker.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "Pardoncherchawe." To Margery his wife he leaves a certain tenement in the parish of S. Stephen Colemanne-stret for life; remainder to the Fraternity of the Blessed Mary

<sup>1</sup> Co. Hants.

in the said church of S. Mary le Bow in aid of two chantries in the said church. Dated London, Wednesday the Feast of S. Edward the King [5 Jan. ?], A.D. 1361. Roll 90 (42).

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**Berkyngg** (WILLIAM DE), goldsmith.—To Cristina his wife he leaves a shop in the Goldsmithery, London, for life; remainder to his infant *en ventre sa mère*. To John his son the reversion of his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Michael in Wodestret. Dated London, 4 August, A.D. 1361. Roll 90 (44).

**Atte Stone** (LUCY, formerly wife of JOHN).—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas at the Shambles near the tomb of her late husband. Her tenement in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid to be devoted to the maintenance of chantries in the said parish church. Dated London, 16 May, A.D. 1361.

Roll 90 (44).

**Renham** (ROBERT DE), fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas de Coldabbeye. To John Bernes and Katherine, wife of the same, he leaves certain tenements in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid. The residue of his goods to be divided into three parts, whereof one part is to go to Johanna his wife, a second to be divided among his children in equal portions, and the third part to be devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 6 June, A.D. 1361. Roll 90 (45).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan [19 May].*

**Shirwode** or **Shirewode** (ROBERT DE).—To be buried in the church of S. Edmund de Lumbardestret. To Margery his wife all his lands and tenements in the City of London and in Suthwerk for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses in the aforesaid church. Dated London, Saturday next after the Feast of Nativity of S. John Baptist [24 June], A.D. 1361.

Roll 90 (57).

**Mountkoy** (JOHN), fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. James de Garlekhuth. To Katherine his sister a certain shop for life; remainder over. To Isabella, wife of Thomas Sharnebrook, a brewery in the parish of S. Michael de la Quenehutte for life; remainder over. Thomas de Ware and John

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Whytyng to hold a shop in Briggestrete for one year from the date of his will without paying any rent. Roger Mountkoy his brother appointed one of his executors. Dated A.D. 1361.

Roll 90 (58).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan [19 May].*

**Hotot** (NICHOLAS), woolmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Swithin in Candelwykstret. To Elizabeth his daughter a tenement in the parish of S. Dunstan near the Tower in tail. To Nicholas his son the residue of his tenements in the City of London, subject to dower of Johanna his wife, who is appointed guardian of his said children, she giving security for the same, as is the custom concerning orphans in London. Dated London, 4 July, A.D. 1361.

Roll 90 (69).

**Blundel** (THOMAS), Rector of the church of S. Stephen de Walbrok.—To Thomas de Welford, junior, draper, certain houses in the parish of S. Michael de Wodestret. To Cecilia, wife of Michael Gerard, "Lumbard," citizen of London, lands, tenements, &c., in street called "Lumbardestret," parish of S. Mary Wolnoth. Dated London, 8 April, A.D. 1361.

Roll 90 (70).

*Monday next after the Feast of Ascension [26 May].*

**Garton** (JOHN DE), mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Antonin near the tomb of Johanna his wife. A certain tenement in the churchyard of the aforesaid church, situate near a tenement belonging to Johanna his daughter, to be sold for payment of debts, &c. The residue of his goods and chattels he leaves to John his son. Dated London, Monday, viz., the Feast of S. Mark, Evangelist [25 April], A.D. 1362.

Roll 90 (79).

**Adam**, the Rector of the church of S. Mary de Fancherche.<sup>1</sup>

[*Vacant space left for insertion of will.*]

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*Monday the Morrow of the Feast of H. Trinity [12 June].*

**Lynne** (ANDREW DE), "stokfischmonger."—To be buried in the

<sup>1</sup> Afterwards known as S. Gabriel Fenchurch.

churchyard of S. Michael *en le Crokedllane*. To Johanna his wife and to his children [*not named*] he leaves a portion of a tenement in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid for their lives; remainder to pious uses. John Lynne his brother appointed one of his executors. Dated Friday next after the Feast of Nativity of S. John Baptist [24 June], A.D. 1361. Roll 90 (84).

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**Roumale (JOHN)**.—To be buried in the church of S. Athelburga within Bisshoppesgate. To Johanna his wife he leaves all his goods not otherwise disposed of, and a tenement in the Ward of Bisshoppesgate for life; remainder to pious uses in the aforesaid church. Dated Wednesday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr [5 Feb.], A.D. 1360. Roll 90 (85).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Harpesfeld (JOHN DE)**, corder.—To be buried in the church or churchyard of S. Margaret, Westminster. All his lands and tenements within the Ward of Dounegate to be sold; and one half of the proceeds to be devoted to payment of debts, and the other half to go to Cristina his wife. Dated Westminster, Monday the Feast of S. Ambrose, Bishop [4 April], A.D. 1361.

Roll 90 (90).

*Monday next after F. of Translation of S. Edward, King [13 Oct.].*

**Hynton (JOHN DE)**, vintner.—To be buried in the church of S. Martin in the Vintry. To Isabella his wife all his lands, tenements, &c., for life, and the custody of John his son during minority; remainder to his said son in tail; remainder to pious uses. To Henry de Boresworth, vintner, ten pounds. Dated London, Sunday next after the Feast of S. Bartholomew, Apostle [24 Aug.], 30 Edward III. [A.D. 1356]. Roll 90 (98).

**Deynes (EDMUND)**, ironmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Thomas de Acon. To Johanna his wife a shop in the parish of the church of Colchirch (*sic*) for life; remainder to Thomas his son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Also to his said son forty pounds. Dated London, Friday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.], A.D. 1361. Roll 90 (108).

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**Walden** (THOMAS DE), apothecary.—To be buried in the church-yard called “le Pardouncherchawe” of S. Paul, London, near Margery his late wife. Bequests to the church of All Hallows de Honilane; to John Hurlee his servant, John Langelee his apprentice, the five children of John Chaumpneys, various orders of friars, the Canons of H. Trinity, London, the monks of Westminster, &c. To Margaret his daughter, Walter and William his sons, he leaves a tenement in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale. Also to William his son tenements in the Goldsmithery of London in tail; remainder over. To Walter his son in tail tenements in the parish of S. Benedict Fynk, subject to certain payments in aid of chantries in the church of S. Mildred the Virgin in the Poultry; remainder over. Also to his said son he leaves his leasehold interest in certain houses upon Bokelersbury. Further bequests of money and chattels to William de Stanes, Robert de Felsted, the new work of S. Paul’s, &c. Dated London, 23 June, A.D. 1361.

Roll 90 (114).

**Stacy** (WILLIAM).—To be buried in the church of S. Michael de Wodestrete. Bequests to the said church, the old and new work of S. Paul’s, the Priory of S. Bartholomew in Smythfeld, the Friars Minors of London, &c. Provision made for a chantry in the church of S. Michael aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Margery his wife, William de Swanlond and Johanna, wife of the same, and others. To Margery his wife he leaves two tenements, situate near Ladellane<sup>1</sup> and Wodestrete in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, for life; remainder to the heirs of his body; remainder in trust for sale for charitable uses. Certain rents in the parish of S. Stephen de Colmanstrete to be sold to pay his debts. Further bequests of money and goods to William de Swanlond, Henry Barbour, Thomas Cok, Alice de Codicote, and others. Dated London, Saturday the morrow of the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June], A.D. 1361.

Roll 90 (115).

**Scot** (JOHANNA, formerly wife of GEOFFREY, fishmonger).—To be

<sup>1</sup> Beneath Wood Street Compter, says Stow, “is Lad Lane or Ladle Lane, for so I find it of record in the parish of St. Michael Wood Street” (‘Survey,’ Thoms’s ed., p. 110).



buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "Pardoncherchehaw." Bequests to the church of S. Mary Magdalen in the Old Fish Market, the Prior and Convent of S. Mary Overhee, the divers orders of friars in London, the hospitals of S. Bartholomew in Smythefeld, S. Mary without Bisshopesgate, S. Thomas Overhee, S. Katherine, S. Giles, and S. James without London, &c. Bequests also of money or goods to Margaret her niece, John de London, parson of the church of S. Antony, John, son of Walter Leyton, Alice Priour, Walter Gayslee, Matthew de Chestre and Agnes, wife of the same, William Wenlok, and others. Her shop in the parish of S. Nicholas Coldabey to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Dated Sunday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June], A.D. 1361. Roll 90 (123).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Neuton** (THOMAS DE), Rector of the church of S. Michael le Quern.—Certain tenements in *la Whitecrouchestret* without Cripelgate he leaves to future rectors of the aforesaid church of S. Michael for the maintenance of a chantry in the same. Dated London, Friday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June], A.D. 1359. Roll 90 (136).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Leonard [6 Nov.].*

**White** (WILLIAM LE), "wodemonger."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Andrew de Castle Baynard. Isabella his wife to have a life interest in a certain messuage; and after her decease the same is to be sold for pious uses. Dated Thursday, 1 April, A.D. 1344. Roll 90 (137).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Martin [11 Nov.].*

**Galeis** (HENRY).—His tenement called "le Boreshede" in Bredstret, parish of All Hallows, to be sold for pious and charitable uses. To Isabella his wife all his tenement in Fridaystrete for life, so long as she remain a chaste widow; remainder to Richard Galeis his kinsman. Dated London, 26 August, A.D. 1360. Roll 90 (159).

**Andrew**, the King's Smith at the Tower.<sup>1</sup>—To Alice his wife for

<sup>1</sup> Andree Fabri domini Regis in Turri London.

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life his tenement in the parish of S. Margaret Patyns; remainder to David his son and Christiana his daughter in successive tail; remainder to Thomas his brother for life, and after the decease of the said Thomas the same to be sold for pious and charitable uses. No date. Roll 90 (163).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

**Atte Vyne (PETER).**—To Henry his son in tail his brewery in the parish of S. Dunstan towards the Tower, charged with certain payments to the work of London Bridge, the Abbey of Westminster, and the Prior and Convent of S. Mary de Suthwerk; remainder over to William his younger son and to Alice his daughter in successive tail; remainder to his right heirs. To William his elder son, moneyer, he leaves property adjoining the aforesaid brewery in tail; remainder to his other sons and daughter in successive tail. Also to the aforesaid William his younger son he leaves shops in the lane called “Mengeonlane” in the aforesaid parish of S. Dunstan in tail, with similar remainders. Dated London, Saturday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan [21 Oct.], A.D. 1348. Roll 90 (170).

*Monday next after the Feast of Conception of V. Mary [8 Dec.].*

**Smelt (RICHARD),** fishmonger.—Provision made for maintenance of chantries in the church of S. Mary Mountenhaut out of rents of tenements in the parishes of S. Dunstan towards the Tower and S. George near Estchepe. To the Chamber of the Guildhall, London, he leaves an annual rent of twenty shillings, so that the Mayor, Aldermen, and Chamberlain for the time being attend and see to the due maintenance of the same. To Richard and Thomas his sons, Elizabeth his daughter, and to the infant with which Margery his wife is *enceinte*, he leaves divers sums of money. His executors appointed guardians of John, son of John de Gloucestre, committed to his charge by will of the said John the father.<sup>2</sup> Dated London, 10 May, A.D. 1359. Roll 90 (176).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

**Pounge or Punge (NICHOLAS),** vintner.—To Laurence de Gleis-

<sup>1</sup> Mincing Lane.

| <sup>2</sup> Part I. p. 687. Omitted in abstract.

worth and Johanna, wife of the same, his kinswoman, he leaves the tenement which he had acquired from the men of the Ward of Bisschopesgate, situate within the said ward, in tail; remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Alburga<sup>1</sup> for the good of his soul, the souls of Katherine his late wife, Robert Cook, and others. In default of the said chantry the aforesaid tenement is to go to the Mayor and Commonalty of London for the maintenance of London Bridge, subject to the maintenance of a chantry in the chapel of S. Thomas the Martyr upon the said bridge. Dated London, 8 October, *s.a.*

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**Longe (JOHN)**, vintner.—To be buried in the church of S. James de Garlekhethe. Bequests to the said church, and provision made for a chantry therein; also to divers religious orders, poor *hospitellers*, poor *ankers*, poor *laseres*, &c.; also to Idoyne, Margery, and Katherine his sisters, and Katherine, daughter of the last mentioned; to Hogekeyn, son of Jouette his sister, William his *vadlet*, Ydoyne, daughter of John de Gunwardby, in aid of marriage, and for marriage portions of poor girls throughout the City of London. John Fanyor and wife (*son compaignoun*) to be relieved of further rent in silver, provided they punctually pay the amount of barley due from them for a certain term according to indentures between them and the testator made. Dated London, III. Kal. May [29 April], A.D. 1361.

Roll 90 (184).

**Neve (THOMAS LE)**.—To John Michel, vintner, a tavern with two solars, a *garyt*, &c., at the corner of Bredstret, parish of All Hallows, for a term of twenty years next after his decease; remainder to Stephen his son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, Wednesday the morrow of S. Laurence [10 Aug.], *s.a.*

Roll 90 (185).

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*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul* [25 Jan.].

**Dolsely (SYMON)**, pepperer.—To Johanna his wife certain tenements in the parish of S. Mary Wolcherchhawe for life,

<sup>1</sup> S. Ethelburga.

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charged with the annual payment of four pounds of silver to Johanna his daughter, a nun at Berkyng; remainder to Johanna Gisors, daughter of John Gisors, subject to the same charge, in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his wife, Alice his former wife, Adam Sarum, John Hamound, Thomas his son and Agnes his daughter, Symon de Farnham, and others. Also to Johanna his wife tenements in the parishes of S. Michael Paternosterchirche and S. John de Wallebrok for life, with similar remainders. Certain tenements which the testator acquired from John Dolsely, son of Robert Dolsely, and which formerly belonged to Thomas Dolsely, in the parish of S. Stephen de Walebrok, are to be sold, and one moiety of the proceeds he leaves to the aforesaid John Dolsely; the other moiety is to remain in the hands of his executors, to be afterwards delivered to the same John Dolsely if his executors deem it desirable. Dated at the manor of Horleston,<sup>1</sup> 16 October, A.D. 1362. Roll 91 (1).

**Cruchefeld (HENRY DE).**—To Johanna his daughter his tenement in the parish of S. Augustine near S. Paul's in tail; remainder to pious uses. No date.

Whereupon came Walter le Hoo, skinner, and Alice, wife of the same, and put their claim upon the above testament as to the tenement therein devised, as being the right of the said Alice.

Roll 91 (6).

**Courtray (JOHN),** fishmonger.—To Richard his son a tenement in Rethergatelane in tail; remainders over to John his elder son, Leticia, Johanna, and Alice his daughters, and to John his younger son, in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. To Emma his wife a tenement also in Rethergatelane for life; remainders over to his children in successive tail. Dated London, 8 July, A.D. 1361. Roll 91 (14).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

**Fyge (PETER),** fishmonger.—To be buried near the tomb of William Haunsard in the chapel of S. Thomas the Martyr in the church of S. Dunstan towards the Tower. To the Preaching

<sup>1</sup> Hurlestone, co. Chester (?).

Friars of Derteford certain annual quitrents in the parish of S. Martin Orgar. Elena his wife appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 11 October, A.D. 1361. Roll 91 (17).

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*Monday the Morrow of the Feast of H. Trinity [28 May].*

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**Hakeneye** (RICHARD, son of RICHARD DE).—To be buried in the church of S. Mary atte Hulle before the great rood. In aid of a chantry in the same church for his father's soul he leaves a shop in the parish of S. Leonard in Estchep. To William Olneye the tenement wherein he dwells. Agnes his wife appointed one of his executors. Dated London, Thursday the Vigil of the Nativity of S. John Baptist [24 June], A.D. 1362. Roll 91 (78).

**Evatte** (JOYCE), clerk.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Andrew de Cornhull near the tomb of Johanna his wife. To Agnes his daughter he leaves six marks for her marriage, which together with certain shops and the wardship of his said daughter he wills to remain in the hands of John Hook, to trade withal, until she marry. Also to his said daughter divers brass pots, pans, pieces of tapestry, &c. To Nicholaa his wife he leaves a certain messuage for life by way of dower; remainder to the heirs of her body. In the event of her dying without such heirs, he wills that the said messuage and the shops before mentioned remain in the hands of three trusty citizens, parishioners of S. Andrew aforesaid, who shall put a rent upon them according to the custom of the City, which shall be devoted to the maintenance of a perpetual chantry in the said parish church, or else to the maintenance of its fabric and lights therein. Bequest to the maintenance of the fabric of the church of S. Mary "attenax."<sup>1</sup> No date. Roll 91 (79).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Botolph [17 June].*

**Doket** (WILLIAM), vintner.—To be buried in the choir of the church of S. Leonard in Estchepe near the tomb of Sir John de

<sup>1</sup> Dedicated to the Virgin Mary, S. Ursula, and the 11,000 Virgins, commonly called S. Mary at the Axe from the sign of an axe over against the end thereof; also known as S. Mary Pelliper from a parcel of land in its vicinity belonging to the Skinners' Company. Now united to the church of S. Andrew Undershaft (Newcourt's 'Repertorium,' i. 266).

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Licchefeld. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. To Cristiana his wife all his goods and tenements, after payment of debts and fulfilment of testament, in trust for pious uses, so long as she remain unmarried; but upon her taking a husband the same are to be divided into two parts, one of which is to go to his said wife, and the other to be divided among John, William, and Robert his sons by Cristiana his wife. Pecuniary bequests to William, Nicholas, John, and Henry his sons, Auncilla his sister, Agnes, daughter of John his father (*sic*), John Littel, citizen and Alderman,<sup>1</sup> and others. Dated London, 6 May, A.D. 1361.

Roll 91 (94).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Forner** (WILLIAM), butcher.—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph without Algate. To Isabella his wife he leaves a tenement with shops and gardens in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale, and one hundred shillings of the proceeds to go to his children and the residue to be devoted to pious uses. To Thomas, John, Margery, and Isabella his children he leaves the sum of forty pounds, to be divided among them in equal portions. To his infant *en ventre sa mère* ten pounds. Dated A.D. 1360.

Roll 91 (99).

**Kestevene** (WILLIAM DE), Rector of the church of S. Mary de Northmymmes<sup>2</sup> in the diocese of Lincoln.—To be buried in the chancel of the said church. His tenement in the parish of S. Olave in Moggewellestret to be sold for pious uses. Dated Northmymmes, 8 September, A.D. 1361.

Roll 91 (100).

**Porter**<sup>3</sup> (THOMAS).—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Stephen de Colemanstret. The tenement within which he lies sick, together with the reversion of the dower of Matilda Fraunceys, to be sold for the maintenance of a chantry for one year in the said church of S. Stephen. Dated London, Sunday, 4 June, A.D. 1363.

Roll 91 (101).

<sup>1</sup> Succeeded Adam Fraunceys as Alderman of Queenhithe Ward in 1355-6 upon the translation of the latter to the Ward of Lime Street (City Records,

Letter-Book G, fol. 40 b). A John Little was also Sheriff 1353-4.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Herts.

<sup>3</sup> "Potter" in margin.

*Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and C. [13 Oct.].*

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**Hatfeld (JOHN DE)**, senior, chandler.—To be buried in the church of S. Benedict de Grascherche near Isabella and Emma his late wives. To John his son called “Montagu,” John de Pountfreit, junior, and others, parishioners of the church aforesaid, he leaves a certain tenement and rents in Grascherche Street in trust for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Benedict aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Isabella and Emma his late wives, John de Stebenhethe, and others; and in default the same is to remain to the Mayor and Commonalty of London for the time being for the maintenance of London Bridge and of a chantry in the chapel of S. Thomas the Martyr thereon. Also to the aforesaid John his son he leaves lands and tenements in the parish of S. Margaret Patyns in tail; remainders to Dionisia his daughter and to Thomas his son in successive tail; remainder to the Mayor and Commonalty for uses aforesaid. Also to his said sons and daughter respectively he leaves other tenements in the parishes of S. Benedict aforesaid, S. Michael in Hoggenelane, S. John Zakari, and elsewhere, among them being *le Swan othe hop* and *le Castel atte hoop*, to hold in successive tail, with similar remainder. To Cecilia his wife an annual rent charge for life; remainder over; also the custody of Thomas his son until he arrive at the age of eighteen years, she finding security for the same according to the custom of the City. The custody of Dionisia his daughter he leaves to Robert Kyng, chandler, until she is sixteen years of age. Dated London, 1 April, A.D. 1363.—He further wills that a newly constructed well with pipe and privy belonging to his old tenement should serve as an easement to his new tenement; and that a gutter of his new tenement should, in return, receive the rain water of the old.

Roll 91 (125).

**Bacoun (RICHARD)**, “stokfisshmongere.”—To be buried in the church or churchyard of S. Michael near Crokedelane. To Juliana his wife he leaves all his tenements in the parish and lane of S. Martin Orgar for life; also all his jewels, silver cups, mazers, and household chattels, as well as the remaining term of service of his several apprentices, to hold the same by way of dower. Divers other tenements in the parish and lane aforesaid,

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as also in the parishes of S. Laurence near Candelwykstret, S. Olave towards the Tower, and S. Botolph without Bisshoppesgate, to be sold within one year after his decease, and a hundred marks of the proceeds to go to the work of London Bridge, and the residue to be devoted to pious uses and discharge of legacies. Bequests of sums of money to Thomas, Simon, and William his sons, and to Margaret his daughter for her marriage. His wife appointed guardian of his said children and of their property; and in case of her decease before they come of age the aforesaid money is to be placed in the hands of the Chamberlain at the Guildhall, according to the custom of the City relative to orphans. Dated London, Friday next after the Feast of S. Laurence [10 Aug.], A.D. 1363. Roll 91 (127).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Holewelle** (ROBERT DE).—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of Conewey. To Margaret his wife all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Edmund in Lumbardestret, in Bercheverlane, and also in the vill of Odiham,<sup>1</sup> to hold the same to her, her heirs and assigns.<sup>2</sup> Dated at Conewey, Thursday next after the Feast of S. Mary Magdalen [22 July], A.D. 1349.

Roll 91 (137).

**Cornhulle** (JOHN DE), co. Middlesex.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Mary de Wylsdon. To Matilda his wife all his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Vedast and S. Augustine in the Goldsmithery of London for life; remainder in trust for pious uses. To Alice his daughter he leaves the reversion of certain lands and tenements in the parish of All Hallows de Bredstret; remainder in default of heirs of her body to pious uses. Dated Monday before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin and Martyr [20 July], A.D. 1363. Roll 91 (148).

*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

**Wyroestre** (ELENA, late wife of WALTER DE).—To be buried in the churchyard of All Hallows de Berkynggecherche. To Matilda

<sup>1</sup> Co. Hants.

<sup>2</sup> No objection appears to have been taken to this devise, notwithstanding its

being contrary to the custom. Similar instances will be found later on.



Lucas a tenement in Tower Street in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid. Dated London, 17 June, A.D. 1363.

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**Hatfeld** (JOHN DE), senior, chandler.—To be buried in the church of S. Benedict de Grascherche near the bodies of Isabella and Emma his late wives. To John his son called “Montagu,” Bartholomew and Thomas his sons, and Dionisia his daughter, he leaves divers household chattels, including a cup called “Biker” with silver covercle bearing his arms, a mazer called “Montagu,” mattresses, testers, bolsters and feather beds, a silver bowl with covercle gilt within and without and enamelled, with ewer to match, a mazer with silver stand bearing figures of S. John and S. Mary on the bottom, silver spoons, &c. Robert Kyng, chandler, to take charge of the aforesaid Dionisia until she arrives at the age of sixteen years, he giving sufficient security before the Mayor and Chamberlain according to the custom of the City of London. Cecilia his wife appointed guardian of Thomas his son until the age of eighteen on the same condition. Dated London, 1 April, A.D. 1363.

Roll 91 (156).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Martin [11 Nov.].*

**Huntyngdon** (ROBERT), butcher.—To Amicia his wife all his tenements in Pentecostlane, parish of S. Nicholas [Shambles], a shop in the Shambles of S. Nicholas in the same parish, and two shops in the parish of S. Botolph without Alderesgate, for life; remainder to Robert his son in tail; remainder to pious uses. Dated London, Friday next after the Feast of S. Dionisius [9 Oct.], A.D. 1363.

Roll 91 (157).

**Godman** (ADAM).—To be buried before the door of the church of S. Stephen de Colemanstret in the tomb where rests the body of Alice his late wife. To Alice his wife he leaves his share of shops in a certain alley for life; remainder to his infant *en ventre sa mère* in tail; remainder to the church of S. Stephen aforesaid for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 13 August, A.D. 1363.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

**Lemman (JOHN)**, butcher.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Leonard in Estchepe near the tomb of Katherine his late wife. To Nicholaa his wife by way of dower, and before all else to which she may be entitled at his death, he leaves his interest in a certain tenement in Candelwykstret, parish of S. Clement; also a tenement in the parish of S. Andrew Huberd near Estchepe for life; remainder in trust for sale, and one hundred shillings of the proceeds to go to John, son of William Lemman, and the residue to be devoted to the good of his soul. Dated London, Thursday the Feast of S. Matthew, Apostle [21 Sept.], A.D. 1363.

Roll 91 (166).

*Monday next after the Feast of Conception of V. Mary [8 Dec.].*

**Crege (STEPHEN)**.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Nicholas de Strode.<sup>1</sup> His tenements at Ebegate in the parish of S. Martin Orgar, and in the parish of S. Michael in Crokedelane, to be devoted to the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Henry Welot and others. The chantry priest to be elected by the parishioners of S. Nicholas aforesaid. Dated at Strode, Monday the Vigil of S. Laurence [10 Aug.], *s.a.*

Roll 91 (174).

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*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

**Blac (RICHARD)**.—To Henry de Boseworthe he leaves his portion of a tenement which they jointly acquired in the parish of S. Botolph, Billynggesgate. The residue of his goods, after payment of debts, legacies, &c., to be divided into three parts, two of which he leaves to Margery his wife, and the rest to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, Tuesday the Feast of S. Laurence [10 Aug.], A.D. 1361.

Roll 92 (8).

**Ferthyng (JOHN)**.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Botolph without Allgate. To Matilda his wife forty shillings and all his growing crops. To John Smyth and Cristina, wife of the same,

<sup>1</sup> Strood, co. Kent.

the reversion of his dwelling-house after the decease of Cristina his wife. Dated London, V. Ides April [9 April], A.D. 1362. A.D.  
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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*

Rumbold (NICHOLAS), "Whittaghier."<sup>1</sup>—To be buried in the church of All Hallows near London Wall. To Agatha his wife lands, tenements, &c., in the parishes of All Hallows aforesaid and S. Peter de Bredestrete [Bradestrete ?] for life, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said church of All Hallows; remainder to two approved members of the Fraternity of Whittaghiers of London, subject to a similar charge, the residue being devoted to the maintenance of the aforesaid members. Dated Monday next before the Feast of S. Thomas, Apostle [21 Dec.], A.D. 1363.

Roll 92 (18).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

Pountefreit (EDMUND DE), clerk.—To be buried in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate in S. Mary's Chapel. To William and Roger his sons he leaves divers shops. To Margaret his wife a tenement and garden for life; remainder to his aforesaid sons. Dated Thursday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.], A.D. 1348.

Roll 92 (28).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

Chober (ROBERT), called "Hurer."<sup>2</sup>—To Edmund and Henry his sons he leaves sums of money and household chattels. Petronilla his wife appointed their guardian during minority; others appointed guardians in case of her decease before his sons arrive at full age. Also to his said wife he leaves a tenement and garden in Martelane, parish of All Hallows de Stanyngcherche, for life; remainder to his aforesaid sons equally in tail; remainder to pious uses. No date.

Roll 92 (131).

*Monday next after F. of Translation of S. Edward, K. [13 Oct.].*

Buntyng (JOHN).—To Johanna his wife his dwelling-house in

<sup>1</sup> White-tawyer. See Part I. p. 537, note 2. | in the Lancashire and Cheshire dialects as signifying hair at the present day

<sup>2</sup> From his making "hures," or rough hairy caps. The word "hure" is used | (Riley, 'Lib. Alb.,' Glossary, s.v.).

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the parish of S. Olave de Silverstrete in fee ; also a certain tenement in Mugwelstrete in the same parish, in trust for sale for payment of debts. No date. Roll 92 (157).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Burgeis** (RICHARD), chandler.—To be buried in the church of S. Clement near Candelwykstrete near the tomb of Agnes his late wife. Bequests to Sir Robert, rector of the said church, and to Sir John the fermor (*Firmario*) of the same, for tithes forgotten or withheld ; also for maintenance of the fabric of the same, lights therein, &c. To Johanna his wife his dwelling-house in Candelwykstrete, parish of S. Clement, for life ; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Bequests to religious orders, hospitals, &c., as well as to Alice his niece (*nepoti*), Margery Tybbe, Richard Tybbe, John, son of the said Richard, and Alice Burgeis. Dated London, Monday next before the Feast of S. Thomas, Martyr [29 Dec.], A.D. 1361. Roll 92 (185).

*Monday next after the Feast of Conception of V. Mary [8 Dec.].*

**Imworth** (BARTHOLOMEW DE), the King's Sergeant-at-Arms.—To be buried in the church of the Carmelite Friars<sup>1</sup> of London. Bequests to their house for a pittance, and to the high altar of the church of S. Michael de Bassyngeshawe. To Matilda his wife a tenement in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid for life ; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds to be divided between Robert and Nicholas his sons. William de Burton to be guardian of his said sons in the event of his wife's death before they come of age. Dated London, Tuesday, 15 June, A.D. 1361. Roll 92 (194).

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*Monday the Morrow of Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

**Hyngestworth** (NICHOLAS DE), "peutrer".—To be buried in his parish church of S. Martin within Ludgate, where he used to sit during service. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof,

<sup>1</sup> Or White Friars, near the Temple. | Mayor, and the Commonalty of the  
Their church was greatly benefited by | City of London.  
the munificence of John Lovekyn, |

to divers orders of friars, the old and new work of S. Paul's, and to the executors of Master Thomas Lonemenstre, late rector of the church of S. Martin aforesaid, for tithes and oblations forgotten. Provision made for chantries therein for the good of his soul, the souls of Margaret his late wife and others. For the repair of the belfry of the parish church of Hyngestworth<sup>1</sup> he leaves twenty shillings. To Johanna his wife the reversion of a tenement in Fletestrete for life; remainder to William, Thomas, and John junior his sons; remainder, in default of heirs of their bodies, to pious and charitable uses. Also to Walter his son shops in Sholane recently acquired from John Ware, Chamberlain of S. Paul's. To Robert his son a tenement in Brydelane. To Katherine, Agnes, and Agatha his daughters respectively he leaves forty pounds of silver for their marriage. Dated London, Sunday next before the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin and Martyr [25 Nov.], A.D. 1364.—A codicil containing further bequests to William, Thomas, and John junior his sons, who are to be in the custody of his wife. To John senior his son he leaves all the utensils of his trade after the decease of his wife, and a thousand pounds of pewter (*mille stagni*) when he takes a house of his own.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

**Cressyngnam** (JOHN DE), senior.—To be buried in the church of S. James de Garlekhith at the entrance of the chancel. Bequests to Sir Thomas the rector for permission to be buried there, and to other ministers, high altar, &c. To John his son and Matilda, wife of the same, he leaves all his tenements and rents in the parishes of S. James de Garlekhith and S. Michael de Bassyngeshawe, together with the reversion of tenements and rents in the parish of S. Faith in Olddedeneslane<sup>2</sup> after the decease of Matilda his wife. Further bequests of money to John Comberlawe, the Master of the Hospital of S. Giles without Holeborne, to each order of friars mendicant in London, &c. Dated London, Wednesday next after the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.], A.D. 1364. Roll 93 (28).

<sup>1</sup> Hinxworth, co. Herts.

<sup>2</sup> Old Dean's Lane, afterwards known | as Warwick Lane, near S. Nicholas  
Shambles.

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Bykenore (ROBERT), of the parish of Derteford.<sup>1</sup> — Bequests to S. Edmund's Chapel at Derteford, the high altar of the church at Derteford, its chaplains, &c. To Agnes, daughter of Alice his late wife, he leaves a tenement in the lane of S. Martin Orgar, his growing crops in the manor of Northcraye,<sup>2</sup> and a pair of swans in the water of Northcraye (*unum par signorum qui sunt in stagno de Northcraye*). To Robert de Louthe a pair of swans swimming at Porteburgh<sup>3</sup> (*unum par signorum euncium apud Porteburgh*); and to Edmund Lambyn and Richard Sone a pair of swans swimming in Stoneham Ree.<sup>4</sup> To William de Kyrkeby he leaves his big horse called "Bayard"<sup>5</sup> and three quarters of barley (*tria quarteria ordeï palmar*). To John Boch six quarters of the same, his new rayed (*stragulatam*) cloak, and his rayed tunic. To William Hunte two quarters of the same and a cloak of bluet<sup>6</sup> (*de Blueto*). To John Cook, William Claydon, and others he also leaves divers measures of the same barley. To Margaret his late wife's servant he leaves a sum of money, a curtepy (*curtam robam*) of morre<sup>7</sup> with hood, and a green tunic with hood. Dated at Derteford, 8 April, A.D. 1365. Roll 93 (48).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan [19 May].*

Wirlyngworth (THOMAS DE), goldsmith.—To be buried in S. Paul's great churchyard before the high cross. Bequests to the said church, the church of S. Matthew in Fridaystrete and the Fraternity of S. Katherine therein; also to Walter de Chalfhant; John Bulstrode and John Caldecote his apprentices; William Leveryngton, goldsmith; Cristina [his wife?], daughter of John

<sup>1</sup> Dartford, co. Kent.<sup>2</sup> Near Dartford.<sup>3</sup> A manor near Dartford, given by Edward III. to the Priory of Dartford.<sup>4</sup> Stanham or Stoneham, a hamlet situate a little more than half a mile north-west of Dartford. The "Ree" (*pîw, ruo, rio*) probably refers to the little stream called the Cranford. The neighbourhood of Dartford was much given up to swan culture, as witness the names "Swanley" and "Swanscombe." King Henry VI. granted to the eldest son of Sir John Stewart, Knt., and of

Matilda his wife, who at the time resided in their mansion house at Dartford, permission to make use of his swan-mark, viz., a little ragged staff, no one being allowed to use a swan-mark without licence from the king and unless possessed of a certain amount of freehold property (see Hasted's 'History of Kent,' i. 225).

<sup>5</sup> Properly a bay horse, but also a horse in general.<sup>6</sup> A blue cloth.<sup>7</sup> *Murrey*, a dark red colour.

Ippegrave, and to John, Thomas, and William her sons. To the same Cristina he leaves his (*sic*) entire chamber, all the utensils of his house, and his tenement in Westchepe for life; also the guardianship of her aforesaid sons upon sufficient security. To John Chalfhant he leaves a life interest in his brewery in Fridaystrete, he paying an annual rent of forty shillings to the church of S. Matthew aforesaid in aid of a chantry. Dated London, 20 March, A.D. 1364.—Also to the aforesaid church of S. Matthew he leaves a piece of land situate near the rectory of the same. To each order of friars in London six shillings for pious uses, &c.

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**Abyndon (NICHOLAS DE).**—To be buried in the church of the hermit friars of the Order of S. Augustine, London. Bequests to each of the four orders of friars in London; to Sir William the rector of the church of S. Andrew upon Cornhull, and for the maintenance of chantries in the said church; to various hospitals; to lepers at *la lokes* and at Hakeneye; the convents of Stratford and S. Elena, London. Bequests also of money and chattels to William the bailiff of the manor of Eselyngham, co. Kent; to each of his six servants; to Mary his daughter, wife of John Bradmedwe, and to Margery their daughter, and others. To Walter Parker he leaves twenty pounds, his best girdle, and a knife with a haft made after a certain fashion (*ad modum unius barcar*'), and silver mounted, so that he be one of his executors. To Johanna his wife, by way of dower, and before anything else that may be due to her at his death, he leaves all his stock and crops at the aforesaid manor of Eselyngham, her entire chamber, and all beds and household utensils; also his tenement in Lymstret, London, for one year after his decease; remainder to Mary his daughter and Margaret her daughter aforesaid for their lives; remainder to pious uses. Should his wife claim or receive any portion of the above tenement as her free-bench or dower according to the use and custom of the City of London, she is then to lose the whole of the goods and chattels bequeathed to her above. Dated London, 10 September, A.D. 1361.

Roll 93 (56).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas [11 June].*

**Everard (JOHANNA, daughter of WILLIAM, late goldsmith).**—To

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be buried in the church of S. Dunstan near Fanoherch. Bequests to ministers in S. Paul's, to John Ive, rector of the church of S. Michael in Wodestrete, the rectors of S. Dionisius, S. Peter in Bradstrete, S. Margaret in Fridaystrete, and S. Alphege. To Alice Necleswelle forty shillings, and all her cloths and kerchiefs (*flammiola*), except a cloak, which she leaves to Margaret Prentis. To Johanna Kent a red *Wytel*<sup>1</sup> and a white *Witel*. Certain rents in Hosihereslane,<sup>2</sup> parish of S. Mary le Bow, to be sold for pious uses. Dated in the parish of S. Michael in Wodestrete, the Feast of S. Dunstan [19 May], A.D. 1365. Roll 93 (61).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Botolph, Abbot [17 June].*

**Thame** (JAMES DE), senior.—To be buried in the church of S. Margaret Moysi in Fridaystrete. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein; also for maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his [late] wife and others; also to the new and old work of S. Paul's. Alice his wife to retain all the goods formerly belonging to John de Essex her former husband, a shop in the Goldsmithery of London for life, and the remaining term of William Peutrer his apprentice. To John his son certain rents in the parish of All Hallows in Bredstrete, tenements in Martelane and the Goldsmithery, and rents in Old Change; and to James his son a tavern called "le Flourdelys" in Westchepe, a shop formerly belonging to William de Causton near the tavern called "le Cardinalshat," and his leasehold interest in a tenement in Goderonelane, in tail; remainder to pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his late wife and others. Dated London, 6 February, A.D. 1364. Roll 93 (65).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Danyel** (WILLIAM), brewer.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Katherine Trinity. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, to divers religious orders for trentals, to anchorites of London, the work of S. Paul's, &c. A certain

<sup>1</sup> A *nytel*, variously spelt *whitel*, *nyltel*, &c. (A.-S. *hpiŕel*), more properly signified a *white* coarse cloth, and was in common use down to the fourteenth century as meaning a blanket. Cf. the following proverb quoted in

'Liber Horn' of the City Records (fol. 159): "Who so strekit his fot forthere þan þe *whitel* wille reche he schal stricken in þe straw."

<sup>2</sup> Afterwards known as Bow Lane.



tenement to be sold, and the proceeds given to the chaplains in the church of S. Katherine aforesaid for masses for the good of his soul, the souls of Peter his father, his mother, Roesia his wife, and others. A certain other tenement and shops in the parish of S. Botolph without Alegate to be sold for pious uses. To John Chaundeller release of a quitrent. Dated London, Wednesday in Easter week [13 April], A.D. 1365.

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Roll 93 (71).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Pycard**<sup>1</sup> (HENRY), vintner.—To John called "Pycard senior" and John called "Pycard junior" certain tenements which he jointly acquired with William Doget; remainder, in default of heirs of their bodies, in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, 3 July, A.D. 1361.

Roll 93 (83).

**Dyk** (WILLIAM DE), draper.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Nicholas Coldabbie. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. To Dionisia his wife his tenement in Distaf-lane in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid, in trust for sale to pay his debts; also all his cloth and goods and chattels. Dated at his mansion house, 7 April, A.D. 1361.

Roll 93 (90).

*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

**Clerk** (JOHN LE), "ropere."—To be buried in the chancel of the church of H. Trinity the Less. Bequests to the said church, and provision made for chantry therein, funeral obsequies, keeping obit, &c.; also to divers orders of friars in London and the old work of S. Paul's. To Rosa his wife and Johanna his daughter he leaves sums of money, silver and mazer cups, spoons, &c. Also to his wife his tenement in the parish of H. Trinity aforesaid for life in trust for sale, one fourth of the proceeds being devoted to pious uses. To John his brother twenty shillings, his best gown, and a surcoat for summer (*?pro estate*) with hood. To Elizabeth, Christiana,

<sup>1</sup> There was a Henry Pycard, vintner, who was Mayor in 1356-7, and of whom Stow records that in 1363 he "did in one day sumptuously feast Edward III., King of England, John, King of France, David, King of Scots, the King of Cyprus, then all in England, Edward, Prince of Wales, with many other noble-men, and after kept his hall for all comers that were willing to play at dice and hazard" ('Survey,' Thoms's edition, p. 41).

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and Agnes his sisters twenty shillings respectively. To Cristiana, daughter of Johanna his first wife, he leaves the sum of ten pounds which is due to her, to be paid as soon as she find an honest husband. Also to Rosa his wife he leaves a tenement near Quenethe. Bequests to his executors. Dated Sunday next after the Feast of S. Bartholomew [24 Aug.], A.D. 1357. Roll 93 (114).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Edmund, Archbishop [16 Nov.].*

Wetherisfeld (JOHN), "juweler."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Dionisius, London. Bequests to the church of the said Dionisius and ministers thereof. To the Carmelite Friars of London two trentals<sup>1</sup> (*sic*), and to the Preaching Friars, Friars Minors, and Augustinian Friars respectively one trental. To the Fraternity of S. Mary de Bedlem without Bisshopesgate, of which he was a brother, six shillings and eightpence. To Matilda his wife his tenement in the lane of S. Margaret atte Patyn in the parish of S. Dionisius for life; remainder to Nicholas his son in tail; remainder to pious uses in the said parish church. Dated at his mansion, 3 February, A.D. 1364. Roll 93 (126).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

Walsted (RICHARD DE).—To be buried at the north gate of the church of S. Christopher. Bequests to the said church, the ministers and fraternity therein, the church of S. Botolph without Byssopesgate and ministers therein, the houses for lepers in the City of London, the Abbey of H. Trinity near "Towrhille," the anchoresses of London, &c. To Isabella his niece, Thomas Walsted, Agnes his niece, William de Southsex, and others he leaves money and chattels, including a silver *Bolle* and a standing *Nutte*. To Isabella his wife for life his tenement in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid; remainder to pious uses. Further provision made for chantries for the good of his soul, the souls of Isabella his wife, John his father, Matilda his mother, and others. To the fabric of S. Mary de Bedleem he leaves forty shillings, to be paid when the building is commenced. Among other beneficiaries are Geoffrey Ayling, William de Salflet his chaplain, Sir Henry

<sup>1</sup> Meaning a sum of money for procuring two trentals of masses to be said by each order of friars for the good of his soul.

Payabul, Thomas Redheved, and William Murle, to which last he leaves a long cloak with a piece of *faldyng*<sup>1</sup> (*cum uno faldyng*).  
 Dated London, V. Kal. August [28 July], A.D. 1365.

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Roll 93 (149).

**Cantebrugg (RALPH DE)**, merchant.—To be buried in the church of S. Christopher, London, alongside Margery his late wife. Bequest of an annual quitrent in aid of a chantry in the said church, as by deed<sup>2</sup> he is bound, and to the rector of the same for the time being, so that the said rector and successors say a *Placebo* and *Dirige* on the eve of his obit, and seven masses on the day of his obit, in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Margery and Ermina his late wives, Sibil his present wife, William his father, and others. Instructions as to presentation to the above chantry. To Sibil his wife he leaves his capital tenement and shops in Bradestrete for life, subject to certain charges for the above chantry, &c., and reserving to Robert de Erith and Juliana, wife of the same, a certain long chamber, with *chymeney*, privy, and garret above the said chamber, which served as a hayloft, together with an easement of stabling for two horses. After the decease of his said wife the whole of the aforesaid tenements are to remain to the said Robert and Alice in tail, subject to the same charges; remainder to Henry his son, to whom he also leaves other property. To William Daubeneye in tail a shop near Cornhull, but a certain *Pentys* contiguous to it is to be entirely removed after the decease of John Duston; remainder to the aforesaid Robert and Juliana. Dated London, Palm Sunday [6 April], A.D. 1365.

Roll 93 (150).

<sup>1</sup> A kind of frieze or rough napped cloth, of which coarse wrappers or mantles were usually made (A.-S. *feald, ptica*). Later on we shall come across a bequest of *collobium meum de Faldyng*—Hust. Roll 114 (76). Chaucer describes the West-country Shipman as clad

In a gowne of faldyng to the kne.

He further describes Nicholas, the Oxford Clerk, as having his books and appliances of science

On shelues all couched at his bed's hed,  
 His presse icoured with a faldyng red.

<sup>2</sup> The deed is enrolled in the Husting on Monday next after the Feast of S. Nicholas, Bishop [6 Dec.], 10 Edward III. [A.D. 1336], Roll 63 (262). It purports to be a grant to the testator (who is there described as a fripperer) by the executor of Walter Waldeshef of lands, houses, &c., formerly belonging to the said Walter in the parish of S. Christopher, subject to certain charges towards the maintenance of a chantry in the said parish church for the good of the souls of the said Walter and others.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

**Flaunden (JOHN DE)**, hosier.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Mary de Stoken Newenton. Bequests to the high altar of the said church, the parish chaplain and clerk, the churches of S. Mary de Haryngeye<sup>1</sup> and of Iselden,<sup>2</sup> and the high altar of S. Sepulchre's Church. To Katherine his wife and to Margaret Naylers his shop in Corwanerstrete in Hosierlane in Westchepe<sup>3</sup> for their lives; and to John his servant a house in Hosierlane in Smithefeld for life; remainder to Matilda his daughter for life; remainder to pious uses. Also to his said wife all his goods and chattels, subject to a payment in aid of a chantry in the church of S. Sepulchre for the good of his soul, the souls of John his father, Margery his mother, and others. Dated London, Saturday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.], A.D. 1365.

Roll 94 (14).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

**Fairher (JOHN)**, fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Leonard in Estehep near his father and mother. Bequests to ministers of the said church and of S. Vedast in Westchepe for their prayers; to the Friars of S. Augustine, London, for their prayers as well as to the other orders of friars in London; to the fraternity in the church of S. Mary de Wolcherche of which he was a member; to his servants, apprentices, &c. To Katherine his wife he leaves the revenue of his tenement in the parish of S. Bartholomew the Less for life; remainder to Robert, son of John Litle. The residue of all his goods, after payment of debts and fulfilment of testament, he leaves to his aforesaid wife by way of dower and in satisfaction of all goods and chattels accruing to her at his decease. Dated London, Monday the Feast of S. Michael, Archangel [29 Sept.], A.D. 1365.

Roll 94 (20).

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1366.*Monday next after F. of Apostles Philip and James [1 May].***Spaldyng (WILLIAM)**, the King's Sergeant-at-Arms.—To be

<sup>1</sup> Hornsey, co. Middlesex, where there is a Haringay Park at the present day.

<sup>2</sup> Islington.

<sup>3</sup> Cordwainer Street began at Bow

Church in Westchepe and ran down south "through that part which of later time was called Hosier Lane, now Bow Lane" (Stow).

buried in the church of All Hallows, Bristol. To Sir William Lench', perpetual vicar of the said church, he leaves a long scarlet cloak furred with *Calabre*,<sup>1</sup> and forty shillings to be raised by sale of his crops and goods at Cranneford. To Richard his son a rayed tunic of scarlet *mure*. Further bequests to Alice Tonkere his nurse (? *custodi mee infirmitatis*), the Fraternity of the Trinity at Cirestre,<sup>2</sup> the Prior of Kalendars<sup>3</sup> at Bristol, the fabric of the mother church of Wircestre, &c. To Peryn his servant he leaves a rayed tunic, whereof one part is *Russet*, a white *Paltok*,<sup>4</sup> and a *goune* of *bluet* with fur of *ottere*. To Richard his son his tenement in Oldefichstrete, parish of S. Gregory near Sermenereslane, in trust for sale for the good of his soul. Dated Saturday, "*quatuor temporum*"<sup>5</sup> before Christmas, A.D. 1365.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan [19 May].*

Gloucestre (STEPHEN DE), fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Mounthaut. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, the church of S. Mary Somersete and ministers thereof, divers orders of friars in London, the old and new work of S. Paul's, the prisoners in Neugate, his servants, apprentices, and others. To Isabella his wife he leaves ten pounds, the utensils of his house, and all his jewels, except his money of silver and gold and his stock of fish; also shops in Oldfishestret for life; remainder to the rector of the church of S. Mary de Mounthaut for the time being for pious uses for the souls of John Gloucestre, John, son of the same, and others. To John Longeneye he leaves his entire Saltwharf, charged with the maintenance of two chap-

<sup>1</sup> An inferior kind of fur (Riley).

<sup>2</sup> Cirencester, co. Gloucester.

<sup>3</sup> A Fraternity or Guild of Kalendars existed in many towns besides Bristol, e.g., Exeter, Winchester; but the guild at Bristol was perhaps the most important of all, and its rules and ordinances have been preserved to us by the late Mr. Toulmin Smith in his well-known work on guilds. The name is said to be derived from the fact that the members of the Guild of Kalendars, chiefly men in holy orders, assembled together to deliberate on their own

interests on the first day—or Kalends—of each month.

<sup>4</sup> A doublet or cloak descending to the middle of the thigh (Part I. p. 670 n.).

<sup>5</sup> The four times (German *quatember*) or ember days, being the Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday after (1) the first Sunday in Lent; (2) after Whitsunday; (3) after the Feast of H. Cross (14 September); and (4) after the Feast of S. Lucia (13 December); this last season being referred to in this case. (See Mackenzie Walcott's 'Sacred Archaeology,' s.v. "Ember.")

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lains in the aforesaid church. Further bequests to William Gubbe, son of Isabella his wife, Johanna, daughter of William Hoo, and Stephen his nephew, Vicar of S. Paul's Church. To the fabric of the church of S. Mary Magdalen in Old Fish Street six shillings and eightpence. Dated Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March], A.D. 1365. Roll 94 (81).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Botolph, Abbot [17 June].*

**Caustone** (RICHARD DE), mercer.—To be buried in the church of the Preaching Friars, London, near the tomb of William de Caustone his brother. To Isabella his wife he leaves all his vessels of silver, and all utensils belonging to his house. The rest of his movables to be divided into two parts, whereof one part is to go to his said wife by way of dower, and the other to be devoted to the good of his soul, the souls of Leticia his late wife, Thomas (*sic*) and Claricia, wife of the same, Nicholas de Caustone and Agnes, wife of the same, John, son of the said Nicholas, and Johanna, daughter of the said John, Robert his son, Agnes his daughter, Johanna Dolsaly his sister, and others. Bequests to the churches of S. Stephen de Colmannestrete, S. Paul's, S. Margaret Patyns, S. Michael de Aylesham, S. Mary de Farndon, and S. Thomas de Acres in Chepe; to the Preaching Friars near Ludgate and other religious orders, to various hospitals, to London Bridge, &c. Further bequests to John his son, Thomas de Worstede and Simon, brother of the same, Johanna de Worsted their sister, and others. To Isabella his wife he also leaves the residue of the term of service of his apprentice, and all his tenements in the parishes of S. Margaret Patyns and S. Dunstan near the Tower for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, Thursday, 13 March, A.D. 1364. Roll 94 (86).

*Monday the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Horwode** (JOHN DE), senior.—To John his son he leaves his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Martin de Ismongerslane, to enter upon the same one month after his decease, together with certain rents and shops in tail male, charged with the maintenance of a chantry; remainder in trust for sale for the benefit of poor

scholars and for marriage portions of poor girls. To Nicholas de Horwode, "cotiler," tenements at *le Tourhull* in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate in tail male; remainder to Richard de Horwode, mercer, in tail, with similar remainder. Dated London, 8 June, A.D. 1366.

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Roll 94 (91).

**Leyre** (WILLIAM, son of WILLIAM DE).—To be buried in the parish church of Great Brumleye, before the representation of our Lord's resurrection. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. To Anne his wife houses, rents, &c., in the parishes of All Hallows the Less upon the Cellar, S. Laurence in the Jewry, S. Mary Magdalen in Milkstret, S. Martin Pomer in Isemongereslane, and elsewhere for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Pecuniary bequests to Alice and Anne, daughters of Elias Doreward. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves divers household chattels belonging to his chamber, buttery, &c., comprising cups of silver and of *maser*, spoons, linen and woollen cloths, and a silver cup with silver covercle of new *tour* (*de novo tour*). Other chattels, including dishes and salsers, are to be sold for pious uses for the health of his soul, the souls of Isolda de Belhous and others. Dated at Brumleye, Tuesday next after Feast of H. Trinity [13 June], 40 Edward III. A.D. 1367.<sup>2</sup>

Roll 94 (92).

**Otewy** (NICHOLAS), of the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Giles aforesaid. Bequests to the above parish church and ministers thereof, to London Bridge, Katherine his mother, Agnes his sister, Richard his godson, Sir Roger de Depham, Vicar of Sordeth,<sup>1</sup> the work of the church of Sordeth, and to the light of the Fraternity of the Rood therein. To Margaret his wife he leaves his estate in the said fraternity, and the residue of his goods, movable and immovable; also his house in Grobbestret in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid, Friday next after the Feast of S. Mark, Evangelist [25 April], A.D. 1364.

Roll 94 (99).

**Worstede** (SIMON DE), mercer and Alderman.—To be buried in the church of S. Alban de Wodestret near the tomb of

<sup>1</sup> Shoreditch.

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<sup>2</sup> Mistake for 1366.

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his children. To Alice his wife tenements, rents, &c., in the parish of S. Alban aforesaid for life, subject to certain charges set out in the will of Hugh de Colwyk, clerk, proved, proclaimed, and enrolled in the Hustings<sup>1</sup> of London for Pleas of Land held on Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.], 22 Edward III. [A.D. 1347-8]; remainder to Margery his daughter in tail. If the said Margery die without heirs of her body during the lifetime of his aforesaid wife, then his wife is to enjoy the above tenements, &c., to her, her heirs and assigns, subject always to the aforesaid charges. Also to his said wife he leaves other tenements in the parishes of S. Alban de Wodestret and S. Alphege for life, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the chapel of S. Mary in the church of S. Alban aforesaid; remainder to his aforesaid daughter in tail, subject to the same charge; remainder over. Dated London, Friday next before the Feast of Pentecost [12 June], A.D. 1364.

And the aforesaid Alice, principal executrix of the above testament, and Robert Beaumont, an executor of the same, did not appear.

Roll 94 (105).

*Monday next before Feast of Apostles Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Galeys**<sup>2</sup> (HENRY LE).—Memorandum of a clause in his will<sup>3</sup> to the effect that he confirms to the Abbess and Sisters of the Order of S. Clare without Alegate a certain perpetual rent for the maintenance of five brethren, to reside in houses which he had erected for the purpose at his own expense, and to celebrate divine service in his new chapel where rests his body. If such gift be void under the Statute of Mortmain<sup>4</sup> the said rent is to be sold and other rents to be bought with the proceeds, within London or

<sup>1</sup> No will of Hugh de Colwyk appears on the Rolls for the session of the Court mentioned, although his name occurs as a devisee of tenements, subject to certain charges, in the parish of S. Alban, under the will of William de Everdon, Vicar of Rickmansworth, proved at the same session of the Court of Hustings (Calendar, Part I. p. 500).

<sup>2</sup> Aldermain of Cordwainer Ward; Sheriff, 1270; many times Mayor of London; Mayor of Bordeaux in 1275.

<sup>3</sup> Not enrolled. The date of his

death is uncertain, but the composition between his executors and the abbess is recorded as taking place A.D. 30 Edw. I.

<sup>4</sup> From an article in the *Archæologia* (vol. xv.) giving an account of the house of the Minorettes or Poor Clares without Aldgate, we learn that in 1320 a message which had been bestowed upon the nuns by Henry de Sales (Galeys?), without the royal licence, was seized by the king's escheator, but afterwards restored.



elsewhere, and given to the said brethren. This is followed by a deed of covenant or composition between the executors of the testator and Juliana the Abbess and sisters aforesaid, whereby the former assign in lieu of the aforesaid rent a house called "Bekenhams," with houses to it appertaining in the City of London, to the said Abbess, together with an allowance for repairs, &c.; and the Abbess and sisters covenant to maintain the prescribed number of brethren, only paying costs of defending their title out of the issues of the tenement. A schedule of sums disbursed upon the property by the Abbess and sisters since the execution of the deed of covenant, viz., anno 30 Edward I. [A.D. 1301-2], is set out, the sum total amounting to over 435*l.* 19*s.* 11*d.*

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Roll 94 (142).

*Monday next before Feast of S. Martin, Bp. and Conf. [11 Nov.].*

**Everard (ALAN)**, mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Magdalen in Milkstrete. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, the church of S. Peter de Walpol,<sup>1</sup> the five orders of mendicant friars in London, the church of S. Thomas de Acon, the hospitals for lepers, and others. To Thomas Everard his term in a brewery situate opposite S. Laurence in the Jewry, and to each of the children of the said Thomas two cows. Further bequests of money, cows, and other goods and chattels, including bed-linen of a chequer pattern (*unum supellectulum scaccatum*) and ornamented with needlework (*punctatum*<sup>2</sup>), *curtyns*, a gold ring with ruby, a silk girdle powdered with pearls, a silver-mounted gripseye<sup>3</sup> (*ovum de Grip*), a silver chain with an image of S. Katherine, a bay horse and a black ambling horse, a Flanders chest, &c., to Thomas atte Assh, Katherine, wife of John Feraud, Alan, son of William Everard, William, brother of the said Alan, Agnes Everard, Katherine, wife of Adam Stable, Richard de Kent, fishmonger, Peter Fyvyen, and many others. Also to Johanna, wife of Roger Andrew, Katherine de Grantham, and Margery Haryngeseye respectively, a stall in

<sup>1</sup> Walpole St. Peter, co. Norfolk.

<sup>2</sup> Worked with a *puncta* or needle. Cf. "a keuerlit of selk *ypoynet* in that on side tawne and in that other side

blu" (will of Lady Alice West, 1395, ed. Furnivall). Mr. St. John Hope, F.S.A., happily suggests "quilted in chequers."  
<sup>3</sup> See Part I. p. 661 n.

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Sopereslane; and to Alan, son of William Everard, land in Marcheford. Bequest of twenty shillings in aid of the money chest instituted by Master Michael,<sup>1</sup> late Bishop of London. Provision made for chantries in the aforesaid churches of S. Mary Magdalen and S. Peter de Walpole. Bequest for the repair of London Bridge, the bridge at Catwade,<sup>2</sup> and others, and also repair of roads. Dated London, Saturday next after the Feast of S. Dionisius [9 Oct.], A.D. 1366. Roll 94 (150).

**Copyn** (THOMAS), butcher.—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph without Algate. Bequests to the said church, Sir Ralph the rector, and other ministers thereof; to each order of friars in London for a trental of masses; to the inmates of various hospitals and of Neugate prison. Provision made for eight chaplains in the church of S. Botolph aforesaid, and for a pilgrim to travel on his behalf to the various shrines of S. Mary de Walsyngham, S. Edmund, S. Mary de Stokes, S. Mary de Manlond, and S. Thomas the Martyr at Canterbury, and there to make offerings. To Alice his wife, by way of dower, he leaves for life a tenement with shops in the aforesaid parish of S. Botolph; remainder to Thomas his son and to the infant with which his said wife is *enceinte*, and to the heirs of their respective bodies; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, 28 May, A.D. 1361. Roll 94 (152).

*Monday the Feast of S. Clement, Pope [23 Nov.].*

**Atte Sloo** (THOMAS).—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Brigid in Fletestrete. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, and the light of Blessed Mary therein. To Matilda his wife he leaves his tenement in Fletestrete, parish of S. Brigid aforesaid, for life; remainder in trust for sale for maintenance of a chantry in the said church of S. Brigid. Dated London, Tuesday next after the Feast of Pentecost [16 May], A.D. 1361.

Roll 94 (168).

<sup>1</sup> Northburgh or Northbrooke, whose will is enrolled *supra*, Roll 89 (272).

<sup>2</sup> Catford Bridge (?).

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1366-7.*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

**Herwardestoke** (WILLIAM), Rector of the church of Berwby<sup>1</sup> in the diocese of Lincoln.—To be buried in the church of S. Bartholomew the Less, London, near the tomb of Juliana his mother. Bequests to the said church of S. Bartholomew, to ministers therein, to Friar John his confessor for prayers for his soul, to John Hedirsete his kinsman, and to Sir Thomas his brother, and others. To Master Thomas Hedirsete he leaves his Digest (*meum infortiatum*<sup>2</sup>) and a small volume *cum omni meo repertorio et doctoribus juris civilis*. To John Herwardstoke his father a tenement in the lane of S. Bartholomew the Less, another tenement in the same lane being devised in trust for sale, and a portion of the proceeds to be devoted to pious uses. Certain tenements which he had acquired from Thomas de Grant-ham he leaves to his executors charged with an annual payment of one hundred marks for the space of seven years to the said Thomas and Isabella, wife of the same, in satisfaction of a debt of forty-four pounds, with which they are to be satisfied (leaving his executors in quiet possession), otherwise let them stand to the common law. To Richard Cole, chaplain, he leaves a long gown furred with *calabre*,<sup>3</sup> with a fur hood, and a long double cloak (*toga*). To William Potyn the *Digestum Novum* which the testator had lent him for instruction. To Sir John Pelham and Sir Thomas Aston, rector of the church of S. James de Garlikheth, and others, he leaves cups of silver. Dated London, 27 November, A.D. 1366. Roll 95 (17).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

**Stanford** (THOMAS DE).—To be buried in the church of S. Ethelburga within Bisshopesgate. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein. Tenements jointly acquired by him and Elena his wife from John Duffeld and William de Swerdeston de London, "Sporier," in the parishes of S. Ethelburga aforesaid and

<sup>1</sup> Barrowby, co. Linc.<sup>2</sup> A part of the Digest or Pandect of the Civil Law, containing the opinions and writings of eminent lawyers, was known by the term *Infortiatum*, two other partsbeing known as *Digestum Vetus* and *Digestum Novum*.<sup>3</sup> An inferior kind of fur (Riley's 'Memorials,' p. 329 n.).

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S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate, to be sold immediately after the decease of his wife, and the proceeds to be devoted to pious uses in the said church of S. Ethelburga for the good of his soul, the souls of William his father, Johanna his mother, and others. Also to Elena his wife certain rents of a tenement called "le Bole atte Whope" in the parish of S. Leonard de Estchep for life; remainder in trust for the maintenance of a torch to burn at the elevation of the Host in the aforesaid church; also rents of a tenement near Pauleswharf for life, with similar remainder. Dated London, 10 May, A.D. 1366. Roll 95 (19).

**Henry (RICHARD)**, brewer.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Sepulchre without Neugate. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, the light of S. Katherine, and the work of the new window in the same. His tenements and shops in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid to be sold immediately after the decease of Isabella his wife, and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. To Celestria his mother he leaves twenty shillings of silver and a bed with coverlet and tester. Dated London, Tuesday next after Palm Sunday [29 March], A.D. 1366. Roll 95 (20).

**Casteleyn (WILLIAM)**, "pheliper."<sup>1</sup> —To be buried in the churchyard of S. Augustine Pappeye. Bequest to the church of the same and ministers therein, to the work of S. Paul's, the rectors of S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate and S. Mary atte Nax, the Augustinian Friars, the convents of S. Elena within Bysshopesgate and S. Mary without the same, &c. Bequests also of money or goods to William and Thomas his brothers, Johanna de Stone, William his godson, Alice, daughter of Margaret his sister, Stephen de Brendewode, and others. Also to Margaret, Beatrice, and Johanna his sisters he leaves his leasehold interest in certain houses, shops, and gardens in the parish of S. Mary atte Nax. His dwelling-house in the parish of S. Augustine de Pappeye is to be sold to fulfil his testament, and the residue of the proceeds devoted to pious uses. Dated London, 10 February, A.D. 1348.

Memorandum that the above testament was not previously en-

<sup>1</sup> Or fripperer, a dealer in second-hand clothes, furniture, &c.

rolled by reason of non-payment of the fee, &c. (*pro defectu solutionis feodi*).

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*Monday next after F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Carente** (JOHN DE), Rector of the church of Hamelden.<sup>1</sup>—To be buried before the image of the B.V. Mary in the chancel of the church of Hamelden. Bequests to Cristina de Cos his sister, Walter de Carente his kinsman, and to ministers of the church of Hamelden for celebrating for the good of his soul, the souls of his father and mother, Richard de Clare, and others. To Alexander de Carente he leaves all his tenements, rents, &c., in the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhull. To William de Wythindon and Alice, wife of the same, certain rents for the lifetime of the said Alice. The seal of the Dean of Wycumb attached instead of his own, which was but little known. Dated at Hamelden in the greater chamber of the Rectory House, 25 November, A.D. 1355.

Roll 95 (28).

**Panetrye** (WILLIAM DE LA), mercer.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Andrew de Enefeld near the tombs of his father and mother. Bequests to the church of S. Andrew aforesaid and ministers therein, and to the poor of Enefeld on the day of his burial and obit. Provision made for chantries in the same church and the church of S. Mary Magdalene de Mylkestrete, London. For the repair of the highway at Freseford in the vill of Enefeld he leaves one hundred shillings. Pecuniary bequests to Isabella his sister, William her son, and Agnes her daughter; Alice his sister and William her son; John his brother; John and William his sons; Margaret and Isabella his daughters; John de la Panetrye, Thomas de la Panetrye, Roger and William de la Panetrye his kinsmen, and others. To Agnes his wife by way of dower of his movables he leaves one hundred pounds and her entire chamber, and all vessels of silver and brass belonging to his house; also for life a shop which he acquired from Edmund de Coventre in the great seld<sup>2</sup> near Sopereslane, parish of S. Pancras;

<sup>1</sup> Hambleton, co. Bucks.

<sup>2</sup> Probably the Great Seld so often spoken of in the City Records as having

at one time belonged to Roesia de Coventre. In her will it is styled "la Brodeselde" (Part I. p. 275).

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remainder to John his son ; also rents in the parish of S. Leonard de Estchep. Also to his said wife and to William his son he leaves four oxen and four draught cattle (*affras*<sup>1</sup>), to be divided between them. His executors appointed guardians of his children and of their property until they come of age or are advanced, they giving security for the same at the Guildhall. Dated London, Saturday the Vigil of S. Thomas, Apostle [21 Dec.], A.D. 1348.

Roll 95 (35).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Vache** (RICHARD LA), Knt.—To be buried in the nave of S. Paul's before the image of the Virgin near to John de Beauchamp, Knt., if he happen to die in England. Provision made for funeral expenses, payment of debts, &c. Bequests to various priests celebrating masses in honour of the Holy Spirit, the Holy Trinity, the Blessed Virgin, the Cross and Passion of Christ, &c. To Philip his son he leaves all his arms for peace or war, beds, dishes, and other household chattels. To Thomas his brother, Johanna his sister, Nicholas Schordych, Matilda Daye de Chalhunt, as well as his servants on his manors and many others, he leaves divers sums of money. His hostel and shops in the parish of S. Bartholomew the Less to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 11 December, A.D. 1363.

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*Monday next after Feast of Annunciation of V. Mary [25 March].*

**Brabason** (ADAM).—To be buried in the church of S. Margaret Moysy in Frydaistrete. Bequests to the said church, Sir Geoffrey the rector, and other ministers thereof; to the old and new work of S. Paul's and to London Bridge. To Margery his wife he leaves all his movables in the manor of Wymerynge by way of dower of all his movable goods, if she will so accept the same; otherwise she is to deliver to his executors all his movables within the said manor, according to an inventory made by him and enclosed within his testament, and to take her dower according to the use

<sup>1</sup> "Sunt igitur *afferi* et *affri*, equi | etymologically with Fr. *avoir* and Lat.  
agriculturæ idonei" (Du Cange, *s.v.* | *averium*.  
"Afferi"). It is probably connected |

and custom of the Anglican Church. To Robert his son his dwelling-house in Distafane, parish of S. Margaret aforesaid, and a shop in Old Fish Street, parish of S. Nicholas Coldabbey, in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. To Johanna his daughter fifty pounds for her marriage, a silver cup weighing thirty-six shillings and sixpence, and a flat (*planam*) piece [of silver] with an image of S. Katherine on the bottom, and a covercle. A tenement at the corner of Distafane to be sold, and Alice, late wife of James de Thame, to be preferred purchaser by one hundred shillings. Further bequests to religious orders, lazar houses near the City, prisoners in Neugate, recluses, &c. Dated London, Sunday the Feast of S. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr [22 Nov.], A.D. 1366.

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*Monday the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Holbech**<sup>1</sup> (WILLIAM), draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Benedict Schorhog if God so will. Bequests to the said church, the church of S. Stephen de Walbrok and ministers of the same. To the church of Holbech<sup>2</sup> he leaves his new missal and three cloths of gold for vestments; and to the high altar of the church of Fitelton<sup>3</sup> his portifory with music and ancient missal, and also a cloth of gold for vestments. Bequests to various religious orders and convents in and around London, as well as at Hyzam,<sup>4</sup> Hezingham,<sup>5</sup> Herbeldowne,<sup>6</sup> and elsewhere; and also for repair of highways, and for marriage portions for girls. To each of twelve recluses, wheresoever they may be, he leaves six shillings and eightpence and a *kyrtill* of *Blanket*; and to twenty men and women of the hermit order, to each forty pence, three ells of *Russet* and three of white [cloth]. To Roger de Flete and Johanna, wife of the same, a certain tenement for their lives; remainder to Matilda his wife. To Thomas de Holbech his kinsman he leaves all his tenements in Grescherchestrete and S. Laurence Lane near "Pulteneysin" for life. Also to his aforesaid wife tenements, rents, &c., in London and the suburbs, and

<sup>1</sup> Described as Alderman in margin; of what ward does not appear.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Lincoln.

<sup>3</sup> Fittleton, co. Wilts.

<sup>4</sup> Heyham or "Lille Cherch," near Rochester (Tanner's 'Notit Mon.' p. 214).

<sup>5</sup> Castle Hedingham (variously spelt Herringham, Hegham, or Hegford), co. Essex, where there was a nunnery of the Benedictine Order.

<sup>6</sup> Herbaldoun, near Canterbury.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Pystoye** (SIMON DE), apothecary.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Wolcherchehauwe according as Emma his wife may ordain. Bequests to the said wife and ministers thereof ; to various religious orders, anchorites, and hermits ; to the work of the church of S. Thomas near the Conduit ; prisoners in Neugate, &c. His wife to maintain a chantry priest for one year next after his decease in the aforesaid church. Also to his said wife he leaves all his lands, rents, and tenements in the City and suburbs for life ; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 27 October, A.D. 1366. Roll 95 (136).

*Monday the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Brikelesworth** (WILLIAM DE).—To be buried in the old chapel of S. Mary in the churchyard of Brikelesworth.<sup>4</sup> Bequests to the church of All Saints at Brikelesworth for maintenance of lights, &c., to various religious orders at Northampton and London, and to the poor of Brikelesworth. Provision made for chantries in the church of Brikelesworth. Bequests also to Thomas Wryghte and Agnes, wife of the same, Thomas Duston, Thomas Gegge, and others. He further leaves twenty pounds for providing four men

<sup>1</sup> Moulton, co. Lincoln.

<sup>2</sup> The name of this appears later on as "Serverstour," Roll 176 (21). Stow, on the other hand, speaks of it both as "Cornettestoure" and "Cernet's Tower," situate in or near Bucklersbury in the parish of S. Mildred, Poultry, and as at one time the King's Exchange.

<sup>3</sup> *Murra*, according to Du Cange=mazer; it is, however, possible that here it is the same as "mura," which in D'Arnis's lexicon is rendered a mansion or house built of stone. On the other hand, the Myrrhine vases of antiquity were of stone.

<sup>4</sup> Brixworth, co. Northampton.



to go to the Holy Land on the occasion of a general pilgrimage (*commune passagium*) of kings, dukes, earls, barons, and others; in the mean time the said sum of money is to be entrusted to William de Lobenham to trade withal. To John his son and to the aforesaid William de Lobenham he leaves all his tenements and rents in the vill of Northampton, with certain exceptions and excepting a meadow called "Flowendholm," which he leaves to Matilda, daughter of William de Langetoft. A tenement in Syvendenlane, London, is to be sold for pious uses. Dated at Brykelesworth, Tuesday the Vigil of S. Matthew, Apostle [21 Sept.], 30 Edward III. [A.D. 1356].

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Roll 95 (158).

*Monday the Feast of S. Nicholas, Bishop [6 Dec.].*

**Bristowe** (WILLIAM DE), cordwainer.—To be buried in the great churchyard of S. Paul's near the highway. Leaves twenty shillings for purchase of a pall for his funeral, which is afterwards to be given to the poor for clothing. To Matilda his wife all his lands and tenements in the City of London for life; after her decease his tenements in Athelane<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermanbury to remain to William his son, and other tenements upon Aldermanbury and in Westchepe near Tannerseld in the parish of S. Mary le Bow, and without Newgate in the parish of S. Sepulchre, to remain to Simon his son for life for pious uses; remainder to the aforesaid William charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Mary de Aldermanbury. His wife to keep Simon his son in victuals; and if the said Simon no longer wishes to remain at her table, she is to make him a reasonable allowance for the same. To William his son he leaves all his armour, and to Simon his son all his books. Dated London, Friday the morrow of S. Martin in Yeme [11 Nov.], A.D. 1367.

Roll 95 (192).

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*Monday next after F. of Annunciation of V. Mary [25 March].*

**Stute** (WILLIAM), fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of

<sup>1</sup> Addle Street.

**A.D.** S. Peter the Less.<sup>1</sup> To Sir Walter de Aldebury, Canon of S. Paul's,  
**1368.** John Tryg, fishmonger, and Sir Robert, rector of the said church of S. Peter, he leaves all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Peter aforesaid, together with the reversion of other lands and tenements acquired from John Spenser de Cocham, to hold the same in fee. To Juliana his wife he leaves all his goods and chattels. Dated London, Thursday, viz., 13 May, A.D. 1361.

Roll 96 (39).

*Monday next after the Feast of H. Trinity [4 June].*

**Helys** (RICHARD, son of JOHN).—To be buried in the church of S. Dunstan in Fletestrete near his father and mother. Bequests to the said church and the church of S. Olave in Old Jewry and ministers therein. To William Gisborgh a pot, a pan, with basin and ewer, and four silver spoons. To his lord and master John Deynes ten pounds, and to Ralph Prote twenty pounds. Certain rents in the parish (*sic*) of S. Dunstan and S. Brigid in Fletstret to be sold for the maintenance of secular priests to celebrate for the good of his soul, &c. Dated Friday, viz., 26 May, A.D. 1368.

Roll 96 (75).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Peyntour** (HUGH).—Bearing in mind the words to Hezekiah, "Set thine house in order, for thou shalt die and not live,"<sup>2</sup> he makes his will in manner following:—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Giles without Cripulgate near his child. To Agnes his wife he leaves his mansion house, together with all vessels of silver and brass, beds, and utensils belonging to his hall, chamber, and kitchen. All his implements and colours belonging to his art to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Bequests to the church of S. Giles aforesaid, its belfry, high altar, &c., also to the light of the painters (*lumini pictorum*) in S. Mary's Chapel, and various ministers therein; the several lights of H. Trinity and S. Mary, the light called "*Salve*," and the light of the Fraternity of S. George in the same church; the inmates of divers hospitals and prisons; the women of the house of S. Katherine; the several

<sup>1</sup> Or "le Poor" in Broad Street.

<sup>2</sup> The message of Isaiah the prophet to the King of Judah (2 Kings xx. 1).

anchoresses of S. Giles, S. Benedict, and S. Mary de Manny; the hermit of S. Laurence Jewry, the hermit in the meadows beyond the Thames, the hermit near Charryngecrouche, and the hermit near Bisshopsgate. Provision made for the maintenance of masses and tapers, for funeral and observance of obit. Bequest of twenty shillings to any one undertaking a pilgrimage with naked feet to the church of S. Thomas of Canterbury and there offering at the high altar on his behalf one penny, at the tomb of S. Thomas one penny, at the head of S. Thomas one penny, at [the shrine of] S. Mary "under the vout" one penny, and at the shrines of S. Augustine and S. Stephen respectively one penny; and also to any making a pilgrimage on his behalf with naked feet to S. Mary de Walsingham and there making certain offerings he leaves forty shillings. To Agnes his wife for her maintenance and the maintenance of his children he leaves a table of six pieces of Lumbardy (*unam tabulam de vi. peces de Lumbardy*) which cost him originally twenty pounds, irrespective of work subsequently done to it and irrespective of a *casse* and other things belonging to it. To Isabella de Norton and Leticia de Weston of St. Albans he leaves sums of money. Directions to sell his three girdles harnessed with silver and a processional cross of silver gilt, together with its staff. Dated London, Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas [11 June], A.D. 1361. Roll 96 (100).

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Morice (THOMAS), pleader.<sup>1</sup> — To be buried in the church of S. Dunstan of Stebenheth.<sup>2</sup> Bequests to the new chapel *atte Nordore* of the church of S. Paul and the shrine of S. Erkenwald. Provision made for a chantry in Guildhall Chapel (*in capella de Gealda London*). Further bequests to the churches of S. Paul, S. Thomas de Acon near the Conduit, H. Trinity near Algate, and the church of the Carmelite Friars in Flettestret; to the rectors and vicars of the churches of London for their pittance; to various monasteries and convents in London and its neighbourhood for masses; to the inmates of divers hospitals; to the poor and those unable to work of the parishes of Stebenheth, Brambele,<sup>3</sup> Strat-

<sup>1</sup> Narrator.<sup>2</sup> Stepney.<sup>3</sup> Bromley by Bow.

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ford, and Hakene; to his servants, and others. To Katherine his sister he leaves two marks and a piece of silver with roses and enamel at the bottom; to Cecilia her daughter and Nicholas her son sums of money. To Thomas his son called "Cobham" he leaves his leasehold interest in the manor of Rondal, with stock, &c. To Matilda his daughter three dorsers (*dorsalia*), three pieces of silver to match one another, a small ewer (*aquatorium*) of silver, and other goods. Bequests also to the abbey of Waltham Holy Cross, of Stretford, of St. Albans, and of Westminster; as also to the respective priors of H. Trinity, London, the new hospital of S. Mary without Bisshopesgate, S. Bartholomew de Smethfeld, and of Elsingspitle, for the maintenance of chantries. All his rents and tenements within the City, its suburbs and liberties, to be sold by his executors, and the proceeds to be divided into three parts, whereof one part he leaves to Cecilia his wife by way of dower, and the residue to be devoted to the fulfilment of his will as expressed in his testament. To the Lord Bishop of London he leaves a cup of silver gilt with ewer to match, and a gold ring with sapphire, that he may assist in executing his will. All his grain and fruit on his lands in the parishes of Worwoteham<sup>1</sup> and Trottesglive<sup>2</sup> to be sold in aid of the fulfilment of his testament. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves a moiety of his grain on lands in the parishes of Stebeneth and Hakene, together with everything belonging to his hall, as dorsers, bankers, *quissins*, tables, &c., and divers household chattels, comprising a silver spice-dish and cups, and vessels belonging to the kitchen. To Thomas de Cobham his son he leaves all his armour. His black girdle with silver buckles he bequeaths to the crucifix at the *Nordore* of S. Paul's Church, and another of *yolu*<sup>3</sup> with silver buckles to the image of S. Mary in the new work of the aforesaid church; and another girdle of *blew* he leaves to the shrine of S. Erkenwald. Also to the aforesaid image of S. Mary he leaves five gold rings which remained when he paid gold in the King's Court,<sup>4</sup> and which he

<sup>1</sup> Wrotham, co. Kent.

<sup>2</sup> Trotterscliffe or Trottiscliffe, co. Kent.

<sup>3</sup> Yellow.

<sup>4</sup> *Quando dedi aurum in Curia domini*

*Regis.* The testator followed the vocation of a pleader in the King's Court, and probably this bequest is the result of some vow he had made in connexion with his professional work.

then promised, but never delivered. Dated Friday next after the Feast of H. Trinity [4 June], A.D. 1368.

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**Hyltoft (JOHN)**, goldsmith.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Paul's called "le Pardoncherchehawe." Bequests to the said church, the church of S. Mary le Bow and ministers therein, for pious uses for the health of his soul, the souls of Alice his former wife and others; also to the priors and convents of H. Trinity within Algate, S. Mary de Overee in Suthwerk, S. Bartholomew de Smethefeld, &c., for similar uses. Provision also made for chantries in the churches of S. Matthew in Fridaystrete, S. Vedast, and S. Peter de Wodestrete, and his executors bound to provide for the celebration of a thousand masses immediately after his decease. To the Abbot and Convent of Lesnes, co. Kent, he leaves a hundred pounds in relief of the house and for pious uses for his soul. Among the names of individual beneficiaries appear those of Margaret, wife of William Tyngewyk, goldsmith, and their three children; Petronilla, wife of Henry de Markebi, and their three children; Beatrice Hyltoft his kinswoman, Walter Hyltoft de Hyngolmelys,<sup>1</sup> co. Lincoln, John Cayle de Waynflēt, co. Lincoln, William Gerard de Orreby, co. Lincoln, Margaret Hyltoft, a nun in the Priory of Tyxle,<sup>2</sup> co. Lincoln, Johanna Hyltoft his kinswoman, and many others. He also makes bequests to the Convent of Stykeswolde, co. Lincoln; to poor men of the craft of goldsmiths, to London Bridge, the churches of S. Mary atte Nax, S. Olave de Sylverstrete, S. Peter de Hyngolmelys, co. Lincoln, the Abbey of Glastyngbury,<sup>3</sup> the Abbey of Chertseye, co. Surrey, the churches of Takkele and Lendon, co. Essex, the church of Erhythē, co. Kent, &c. To the aforesaid Johanna Hyltoft he leaves his cattle and grain in the vill of Claydon, co. Bucks; and to Stephen Cavendyshh, William Welde, and others a pipe of wine to drink among themselves. Dated London, Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan [19 May], A.D. 1368.

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<sup>1</sup> Ingoldmells, near the sea coast.

<sup>2</sup> Sixle (?) or Sixhill, co. Lincoln, where there was at one time a Gilbertine priory of nuns and canons dedicated to the

Blessed Virgin (Tanner's 'Notitia Monast.', p. 267).

<sup>3</sup> Co. Somerset.

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**Deynes** (JOHN), ironmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Olave, Jewry, near the tomb of Margaret his late wife. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, and the new and old fabric of S. Paul's. Provision made for chantries in the aforesaid church of S. Olave. To Walter Freman, goldsmith, he leaves forty shillings. To Henry his son one hundred marks of silver. To Alice his wife a moiety of his goods and chattels, and his entire household store; also his mansion in the parish of S. Olave aforesaid for life. Dated London, 29 July, A.D. 1368.

Roll 96 (120).

**Sutton** (WILLIAM DE), "chesemonger."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Peter upon Cornhill. Bequests to the ministers of the said church, to the works of London Bridge and S. Paul's, the five orders [of friars] residing in London, the Rector of "Papay,"<sup>1</sup> the Fraternity of S. Mary atte Nax, &c. His place within Bischofsgate in the parish of Papay to be sold for payment of debts and maintenance of a chantry. The residue of his goods he leaves to Johanna his wife. Dated London, Tuesday next after the Feast of S. John Baptist [24 June], A.D. 1368.—Here follows a list of his "debts" (or what is owing to him).

Roll 96 (121).

**Stonelee** (JOHN DE), cordwainer.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael de Paternosterchirch. Bequests for repainting the picture of the small crucifix and image of the Blessed Mary standing in the wall of the said church, and to the high altar and ministers of the same church. To Elena his wife, by way of dower and for her share of his goods, he leaves twenty marks of silver; also a tenement in *le Forstrete*, parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, for life; remainder to Johanna his daughter in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. His wife appointed guardian of his said daughter, she giving security at the Chamber of the Guildhall according to the custom. His estate in a tenement in Redecruchestrete in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid to be sold to fulfil his testament. To Walter his apprentice he leaves all his chests, aumbries, forms, and all other utensils in his shop, and releases the said apprentice from the

<sup>1</sup> S. Augustine near London Wall (Newcourt, 'Repertorium,' i. 258).

remainder of his term of service. To Sir Thomas de Beere, rector of the church of S. Michael aforesaid, and to William Boyvile, respectively, he leaves a girdle with long silver-mounted knife<sup>1</sup> hanging thereto, so that they undertake to act as executors. Dated London, Wednesday next after the Feast of Translation of S. Thomas the Martyr [7 July], A.D. 1362. Roll 96 (135).

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**Morlee (THOMAS).**—To be buried in the chapel of S. Mary in the church of S. Benedict near Pauleswharf. Bequests to the said church. His tenement in the parish of S. Benedict aforesaid he leaves in aid of the chantry of Henry atte Swanne in the said church, for the good of the testator's soul, the souls of Edith his wife and others. To Isabella atte Fryth his servant he leaves all his shops in the parish of S. Alban in Wodestrete; and to Richard Morlee his kinsman lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Margaret and S. George in Suthwerk. Dated London, 11 August, A.D. 1368.

All the writings and testaments contained in this roll (*in isto Rotulo*) were acknowledged before the Mayor and Aldermen in the Chamber of the Guildhall on Monday next after the Feast of Assumption of V. Mary [15 Aug.], and afterwards enrolled at the Husting aforesaid, &c. Afterwards, on Wednesday next after the Feast of S. Michael, Archangel [29 Sept.], anno 43 Edward III. [A.D. 1369], there came John Duke de Morle, kinsman and heir of Thomas de Morle, late citizen of London, viz., son of Robert, brother of Thomas, before the Mayor and Aldermen in the Chamber of the Guildhall, and thereupon put his claim.

Roll 96 (136).

**Courteys (JOHN),** fishmonger.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Michael Queenhithe, where Margaret his late wife lies buried. Bequest to the rector of the said church for tithes and oblations forgotten. To Alice Bugge he leaves a certain shop which he had formerly acquired from Sir John Wodhall, late rector of the church of S. Michael aforesaid, and Sir William Curlyng, Canon of S. Paul's. To John his son he leaves his dwelling-house for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Margaret his late wife and others. Nicholas Uske and Agnes his wife to enjoy a life interest in a certain mansion in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid and

<sup>1</sup> Commonly known as a "baselard."

**A.D. 1368.** a shop at *le Saltwharf*; remainder in trust for sale for payment of debts. The guardianship of John, son of Richard Courteys, he entrusts to one of his executors. The residue of his goods he leaves to Katherine his wife and John his son in equal portions. Dated London, 8 August, A.D. 1368. Roll 96 (145).

**Deynes** (HENRY, son of JOHN, ironmonger), mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Olave in Old Jewry. All his rents and tenements in the City of London which he got by inheritance, and also the reversion of all tenements held by Alice Deyns his stepmother for life, to be sold, and the proceeds disposed of as thereafter written. Bequests of sums of money to divers religious orders, and the hospital called “Elsynges spitel”; to six priests of Oxford for prosecuting their studies (*studio vacaturis*), the work of S. Paul’s, the new work of the belfry of S. Margaret’s at Lothebury, and the maintenance of the clock (*ad custodiam horologii*) of S. Pancras; to Walter Freman, goldsmith, Walter Freman de Merstone, Beatrix his aunt, Henry Frowyk, and others. Dated London, 1 September, A.D. 1368. Roll 96 (146).

**Burton** (WILLIAM DE), goldsmith.—To be buried in the chapel of S. Mary in the church of S. John Zakary. Bequest to the said church of a missal and portifory to be used in praying for his soul, but so that Alice his wife have an easement of the same so long as she reside in the parish. Bequests also to the high altar of the said church and to the almonry of S. Dunstan of the Goldsmithery of London. To Alice his wife he leaves all his stock, alive and dead, in his manor of Warbelton,<sup>1</sup> his chamber and all vessels belonging to his kitchen, a cup of silver called “Byker,” and twelve silver spoons. To Robert Stolyon of Warbelton an ox or thirteen shillings and fourpence at the election of his wife. To Isabella, wife of William Essex, a silver cup with covercle. A certain book which he had of John Hiltoft to be sold, and the money devoted to the health of his soul. Bequests to the Prior of Tanrigge;<sup>2</sup> to Friar John Soubourne of the Augustinian Order; Sir Henry de Spondon, rector of the church of S. John Zakary;

<sup>1</sup> Co. Sussex (?).

<sup>2</sup> Tanridge, co. Surrey, where there

was a priory of Canons Regular of the Order of S. Augustine.



Sir Robert Lepere, perpetual vicar of the church of S. Laurence, Old Jewry; and the Minoreesses without Algate, for pious uses. Provision made for chantries. Also to Alice his wife he leaves the custody of William and Richard his sons, and a tenement and shops in the parishes of S. John Zakary and S. Mary de Stanynglane for life; remainder to his aforesaid sons in successive tail. To Thomas de Renham, goldsmith, he leaves his interest in a certain tenement in the parish of S. Peter de Westchepe, on condition that the said Thomas surrender to his executors a bond for eighty marks. Mention made of Roger his brother. Dated London, 31 August, A.D. 1368.

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Be it remembered that Thomas Reynham delivered in court to Sir Henry de Sponden (*sic*), executor, &c., the aforesaid writing, according to the form of the legacy, &c.

Roll 96 (147).

"**Fitz**"<sup>1</sup> **Rauf** (JOHN), tailor.—Bequests to the church of S. Mary Magdalen near Oldefyshstret and ministers therein, the inmates of hospitals, and the five orders of friars for masses, &c. To Alice his sister and to Margaret, daughter of Margaret his sister deceased, he leaves sums of money, as also to the fraternity of his craft of S. John and the fraternity of S. Mary atte Stronde. To Sir John Pountfreyt, chaplain, and Sir John Langetoft he leaves a certain messuage in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen aforesaid in fee. To Margaret his wife the residue of his goods, after payment of debts and funeral expenses. Dated London, Thursday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July], A.D. 1368.

Roll 96 (148).

**Writelee** (JOHN DE), of the parish of S. Mary atte Hulle.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Mary atte Hulle. Certain shops held on lease by Adam Canoun to be sold after expiration of the term and the proceeds devoted to pious uses. To Alice his wife he leaves the rest of his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses, unless his said wife be *enceinte* at the date of making his

<sup>1</sup> One of the earliest instances met with in the Husting Rolls of the French form "**Fitz**" being used for Lat. *filius* in a Latin document. Throughout this Calendar *filius*, as part of a proper name, has been rendered "**Fitz**." At what

period "**Fitz**" became usual in London, Mr. Loftie says he does not know, but he is of opinion that it was before the reign of Henry III. ("Historic Towns," 'London,' pp. 36, 177).

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will, of which fact he knows not, in which case she is to enjoy the same in fee. Bequest of sixpence to the high altar of Reynham. Dated London, Monday next after the Ascension of our Lord [18 May], A.D. 1368. Roll 96 (149).

Gauder<sup>1</sup> (THOMAS), "purcer."<sup>2</sup> — To be buried in the church of S. Magnus the Martyr in Briggstret, in the same tomb with William Gauder his late master. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, and for the maintenance of the Fraternity of *Salve* in the same; also to each lazar at *le lokes*, at Hakeneie, and in the hospitals of S. Giles without Holbourne and S. James near Westminster; to each prisoner in *bocardo*,<sup>3</sup> and in the house for women and house for felons within Neugate, various religious orders, his apprentices, and others. To John his brother and to Geoffrey his son he leaves money and clothes. Provision made for chantries in the church of S. Magnus aforesaid. To Cristina his wife for life tenements in the parish of S. Agnes within Aldresgate; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, 1 August, A.D. 1368. Roll 96 (156).

Worstede (JOHN DE), mercer.—To be buried in the chapel of the B.V. Mary in the church of S. Laurence Jewry. After payment of debts his goods are to be divided into three parts, whereof one part he leaves to Isabella his wife by way of dower of his goods and chattels movable, and the residue as directed. Also to his said wife he leaves all goods belonging to his house and his entire chamber, except his wearing apparel, which is to be distributed among the poor. Bequests to the church of S. Laurence aforesaid, Sir Robert Leper, vicar, and other ministers thereof; also to the churches of S. Mary le Bow, S. Paul, and S. Thomas de Acon; to London Bridge, various religious orders in London, the conventual churches of Berkyngg, Haliwell, Clerkenwell, and Stratford, the inmates of prisons and hospitals, &c. Among individual beneficiaries appear the names of John his son, Beatrix his

<sup>1</sup> Or Gander (?).<sup>2</sup> Pouchmaker.<sup>3</sup> Not altogether an uncommon name for a prison. A prison at Oxford was also sarcastically so called, probably with reference to the form of syllogismknown as "*Bocardo*," out of which the reasoner could not "bring himself back into his first figure" without the use of special processes. Other prisons have also received sarcastic names.

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daughter, wife of Thomas de Mountey, Johanna his daughter, a nun at Berkyngg, Thomas, son of Thomas Worstede, Simon de Worstede, junior, Thomas de Wodeford, Isabella de Worstede, junior, Friar Peter Dolsaly of the Preaching Friars, and others. To the hall of Balliol, Oxford, he leaves twenty shillings, and a similar sum to be distributed among the rectors of London churches for pittances. To the aforesaid John his son he leaves his portifory, missal, Bible, and Legends of Saints for life; remainder to the church of S. Laurence aforesaid; also the reversion of tenements in the said parish of S. Laurence in tail, after the decease of his wife. To his aforesaid wife he gives a life interest in certain houses formerly belonging to William de Causton, late mercer, in the parish of S. Michael de Hoggene-lane in Wodestrete; remainder to his said son. Dated London, 10 August, A.D. 1368. Roll 96 (154).

**Watford (ROBERT DE), carpenter.**—To be buried in the church-yard of the Priory of S. Bartholomew de Smethefeld called “le Pardonchirchewawe.”<sup>1</sup> Bequests to the said priory of rents in the parishes of S. Mildred in the Poultry, S. Michael de Hoggene-lane, and S. Nicholas Shambles, and lands and tenements in Medelane in the parish of S. James de Garlekhithe. A taper of ten pounds to be given yearly after the decease of Agnes his wife to S. Paul’s Church, to stand before the crucifix in the new work, there to burn on Sundays and festivals, and every Friday during the mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The sacristan of S. Bartholomew’s to cause the said taper to be so brought, and to have the remains of the same left unconsumed. Should the said crucifix be removed, the taper is to be transferred to the conventual church of the priory. The residue of his goods he leaves to Agnes his wife. Henry de “Lathebury” mentioned.

<sup>1</sup> The churchyard near the Charter-house enclosed and dedicated, at the expense of Ralph Stratford, Bishop of London, and also of Sir Walter Manny, for the burial of those who fell victims to the Black Death in the years 1348 and 1349. There were at least two other churchyards of this name within the City, viz.: (1) The great church-yard of S. Paul’s, situate to the north-

west of the cathedral, famous, among other things, for its cloister embellished with a painting of the Dance of Death, commonly known as the Dance Macabre and as the Dance of Paul’s; (2) The churchyard of S. Dunstan’s in the East, which we shall find later on to have been sometimes called by this name.

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**Amesbery** (WILLIAM DE), merchant.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Martin Orgar. Bequests to the church of S. Martin and ministers thereof. To Idonya his wife he leaves certain tenements in the parish aforesaid (*sic*), so that she maintain three chantry priests for the good of the souls of Thomas atte Wyche, late “stokfysshemongere,” and of Leticia, wife of the same, for the space of one year next after his decease, in the aforesaid church. To Hugh his nephew the sum of twenty shillings, a feather bed, two sheets, a chalon, and a *whytel*. The residue of his goods he leaves to his wife to dispose of for the good of his soul, also a sum of money due on a bond from Philip Aylwyne de Colecestre. Dated London, Wednesday the Vigil of S. Laurence [10 Aug.], A.D. 1368. Roll 96 (169).

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Syward** (WILLIAM), “peautrer.”—Bequests to the church of S. John Evangelist in Frydaystrete, of which he was a parishioner, and to the parish church of Waltham Holy Cross. To Alice his wife he leaves his tenement in the parish of S. Margaret upon (*super*) Lothebury for life; remainder to his children, and in default of heirs of their bodies to pious uses. Dated London, Monday, 10 April, A.D. 1368. Roll 96 (172).

**Champneys** (JOHN).—To be buried in the church of S. Elena within Bisshopesgate. Bequests to the said church and the parish church of S. Michael upon Cornhulle and ministers thereof. Forgives John Sibyli de Chikeneye, co. Essex, a moiety of a debt of ten pounds, provided that the said John pay the other moiety to Katherine his wife within one year after his decease. Also to his said wife and to Richard his son he leaves a shop in Bryggestrete, parish of S. Magnus near London Bridge, for their several lives; remainder to pious uses. Gilbert his brother appointed one of his executors. Dated London, Friday the morrow of S. Laurence [10 Aug.], A.D. 1368. Roll 96 (181).

**Mortymer (JOHN)**, saddler.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Mary de Wolchirchawe. Bequests to the church of S. Mary aforesaid and ministers thereof. Johanna, daughter of John Goby, senior, to have the sum of ten pounds which Juliana his wife gave her for her marriage; and Margaret, daughter of Walter Frensshe, to have the sum of six pounds which the aforesaid John Goby left to her, the same to be paid to her out of the sum of seven pounds which John Frensshe owed the testator. Provision made for tapers at his funeral and for the maintenance of chantries in the aforesaid church, charged on a certain tenement near Berbynderlane in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid, which tenement he leaves to the aforesaid John Frensshe in tail male; remainder to Nicholas Kylby. Dated London, 25 May, A.D. 1368.—Also to Sir John Lythe, chaplain, he leaves his baselard (*baslardum*<sup>1</sup>) with silver harness, his best silk girdle, best *trenchour*<sup>2</sup> with handle of mazer, and two silver spoons with case (*cum cofyno*). Further bequests to his brewer, sub-brewer (*sub braciore*), and servants of divers cloaks, tunics, saddles for *hakeney*s, and instruments of his shop. Roll 96 (186).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop [11 Nov.].*

**Lovekyn<sup>3</sup> (JOHN)**, “stokfisshmonger.”—To be buried before the altar in the middle of S. Mary’s Chapel in the church of S. Michael de la Crokedelane. To Margaret his wife, by way of dower and of the third part of all his lands and tenements in the City of London, he leaves for life his tenement wherein he lived in Thames Street, subject to a charge for maintenance of a perpetual chantry in the church of S. Michael aforesaid, according to the terms of the will of Pentecost Russell; also other tenements, reversions, and rents in Thames Street and near Billynggesgate in the parish of S. Mary atte Hulle for life, charged with an annuity

<sup>1</sup> A knife worn at the girdle (‘Memorials,’ pp. 430, 532).

<sup>2</sup> Probably a carving-knife.

<sup>3</sup> Sheriff in 1342, and afterwards four times Mayor. The contents of this will have been very fully, although not very accurately, set out by Herbert in his ‘History of the Twelve Great Livery Companies of London’ (vol. ii. p. 56). He took considerable pains to

trace the different owners of the property mentioned, and to show that it formed part of the site of Fishmongers’ Hall as it existed before the Fire of London. In the margin there is a note to the effect that the enrolment was produced in the Court of Chancery *in re* Attorney-General v. Fishmongers’ Company, in evidence for the defendants.

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to Leticia Gubbe, daughter of Mabel his late wife; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Mabel and Margaret his wives, Gilbert de Mordon, and others. To the Prior and Conventual Church of S. Mary without Bisshopesgate he leaves his estate in certain cellars in the Vintry in the parish of S. Martin, in return for their prayers. To Richard Claydych his chaplain he leaves a tenement at the corner of Crokedelane, in aid of the said Richard's chantry at Kyngestone<sup>1</sup> in the chapel of S. Mary Magdalen, for life, or so long as he shall live there; remainder to the said chapel and ministers of the same and their successors for ever. To John Lovekyn his nephew (*nepoti*) a tenement in Candelwykestrete, parish of S. Mary de Abbecherche. Certain other tenements at Billynggesgate, one being called "Treiereswharf," in the parish of S. Mary atte Hulle, and others upon Oysterhull and in Tower Street, to be sold for pious and charitable uses. William de Walworth<sup>2</sup> his servant appointed one of his executors. Dated London, Thursday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July], A.D. 1368. Roll 96 (196).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Clement, Pope [23 Nov.].*

**Atte Hale (WILLIAM).**—To be buried in the great church of H. Trinity, London, within Algate. Bequests to the said church and the prior and canons of the same. To Richard his son the reversion of his capital tenement at the corner of Lymstrete, after the decease of Agnes his wife, in tail; and to Alice and Mariota his daughters in tail similar reversions of shops annexed to the aforesaid tenement, situate in the parish of S. Andrew upon Cornhull, with cross remainders; ultimate remainders in trust for sale for pious uses. To Thomas his son, a canon in the Priory of Gricherche<sup>3</sup> (*sic*), certain rents in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate for life, and the sum of forty shillings to be paid by his executors as soon as his son celebrates his first mass. To Katherine

<sup>1</sup> See Major Heales's 'Early History of the Church of Kingston-upon-Thames' (pp. 167, 172), where he gives the date of Lovekyn's will as 4 May, evidently confounding the Feast of S. James [25 July] with the Feast of SS. Philip and James [1 May].

<sup>2</sup> The same who, when Mayor for the second time in 1381, struck down Wat Tyler in Smithfield, for which he was knighted on the field.

<sup>3</sup> H. Trinity, called Christchurch; corrupted into "Crichurch" and also "Creechurch."

his daughter, a sister in the Abbey of Minoresses of S. Clare near Algate, a certain annual rent in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid for life; remainder to the said abbey after the decease of the said Katherine and his aforesaid wife. Further bequests to various orders of friars in London. His wife appointed guardian of his aforesaid children, she giving security at the Guildhall according to the custom. Dated London, 20 April, 42 Edward III. [A.D. 1368].

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Roll 96 (198).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Eylesham** (ADAM DE), goldsmith. If he die in London, desires to be buried in S. Paul's churchyard near the tomb of Elienora his late wife. Bequests to the churches of S. Paul and S. Vedast. Leaves sixty shillings for one hundred and thirty pounds of wax to be made into tapers and torches to burn at his funeral and at his obit before the image of the Virgin and the Rood in the church of S. Vedast, before the image of the Blessed Mary de "Newerk" and the Rood at *le Northdore* in S. Paul's, and before the image of the Blessed Mary in the church of S. Michael le Quern. Further bequests to the poor and infirm in prison and elsewhere, to each order of friars in London for trentals, and to various individuals. To Juliana his daughter he leaves mazer cups, silver spoons, and household goods; and to John his son five marks for putting him to a trade. To Alice his wife forty shillings by way of dower, and the residue of his goods not otherwise disposed of. To the Priory of Eylsham<sup>1</sup> a chalice of the value of forty shillings. Dated London, Monday, 5 June, A.D. 1368.

Roll 96 (202).

**Briklesworth** (JOHN).—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "*le Pardouncherchawe*." Provision made for chantries in the church of S. Paul and the chapel of *la Gyhalle*, London. Bequests to each order of mendicant friars in London so that they say *Placebo* and *Dirige* for his soul; the convents of Westminster, Stratford near London, and Lesnes,<sup>2</sup> for their prayers. To Alianora his sister, a nun of Sympingham,<sup>3</sup> he leaves an annual rent issuing out of his tenements at Rothewell, co. Northampton,

<sup>1</sup> Ellesham or Ailesham, co. Linc.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Kent.

<sup>3</sup> Sempringham, co. Linc., where Sir

Gilbert de Sempringham instituted a new model of a religious life, called the Gilbertine or Sempringham Order.

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for life, pursuant to the will of William his father; and to Johanna his sister the value of ten marks, but so that William Stanes have them not. To John Yve, chaplain, his gold vestment, a chalice [and] *corporale* to the value of ten marks, on condition that he undertakes administration of his will; and to William de Lubenham his best silver girdle, and personal clothing such as the said William may choose, upon the same condition. Bequests also of money or household goods to Roger Daventre, Richard, John, and William, the testator's sons, and Leticia his daughter [a nun] at Stratford, to which convent he leaves two tenements in Ivelane, London. Other tenements in Syvethenlane, Fynkeslane, and in the parish of S. Bartholomew the Less to be sold for pious uses. Also to Leticia his wife and to Richard his son he leaves tenements in Bassinggeshawe, the Poultry, at Billynggesgate, in Soperlane, Watlyngstret, Chepe, and elsewhere. Also to his said wife he leaves the Rectory of Claveryngg and Langeleye,<sup>1</sup> and his entire term to come in the Abbey of Westminster (*totum terminum meum venturum in Abbath' Westm'*), so long as she remain unmarried; upon remarriage the aforesaid rectory is to remain to the Prior and Convent of Pryterwell,<sup>2</sup> co. Essex. Also to Richard his son the reversion of tenements in Briggestrete. Dated London, Wednesday, 13 September, A.D. 1368.

Roll 96 (210).

**Heynes (JOHN).**—To be buried in S. Mary's Chapel in the church of S. Andrew de Holburne. His dwelling-house he leaves to Alice his servant, daughter of William Hankyn, and to John her son and the heirs of the body of the said John; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses in the aforesaid church. His tenement called "le Peye *super* le hoop" to be likewise sold for the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid chapel. His movable goods to be divided into two parts, whereof one part he leaves to his son and wife, and the other to pay his debts and the sum of thirteen shillings and fourpence to each of the fraternities of *Corpus Christi* and of S. John, to which he belonged. Dated Holburn, 12 July, A.D. 1368.

Roll 96 (211).

**Benyngton (SIMON DE), draper.**—To be buried in S. John's

<sup>1</sup> Situate near each other on the border of Essex and Herts.

<sup>2</sup> Prittlewell, where there was a priory of Cluniac monks.



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Chapel, to the south of the chancel of the church of S. Laurence in Old Jewry, near Idonia his late wife. To Idonia his present wife he leaves lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Laurence aforesaid and S. Mary de Aldermanbury for life; remainder to the church of S. Laurence for the maintenance of chantries therein for the good of his soul, the souls of his wives, of Roger his father and Cecilia his mother, John de Abyndon, and others. In default of the vicar and parishioners of S. Laurence aforesaid providing the chantry priest, the aforesaid lands, tenements, and rents are to go to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of London for the time being, for the maintenance of a chantry in Guildhall Chapel. To the Master and Brethren of the house or hospital of S. Thomas de Acon, near the Conduit of London, a certain quitrent for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Thomas aforesaid, at the altar of S. Mary *in gysma*,<sup>1</sup> for the good of his soul, the souls of John de Abyndon, late draper, Idonia, wife of the same, John their son, and others; similar remainder to the foregoing in case of default. Dated London, 14 October, 42 Edward III. [A.D. 1368].

Roll 96 (214).

**Hattefeld** (JOHN DE), pepperer.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Bothawe. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. To Elena his wife all his lands, tenements, and rents in the City of London for life, with the exception of an annual rent of ten pounds which he leaves to John his son. Pecuniary bequests to Walter and John Tendryng, Sir Nicholas Hereward, chaplain, his servants at Bothale<sup>2</sup> (*sic*), his cook, chamberlain, and others. His interest in a curtilage and a tenement belonging to the Prior and Convent of Tortynghon, situate in the parish of S. Swythin, to be sold for pious uses. Also to Elena his wife he leaves a tenement called “Capilhors”<sup>3</sup> in the parish of S. Mary de Appen-chirche for life, subject to a certain payment for pious uses, as also his tenements in the vill of Calais; remainder to his afore-

<sup>1</sup> *Gesma* or *gesina*, Fr. *gesine*=a lying in child-bed. Cf. *Pro imaginibus Dei et B. Virg. Matris sue Mariæ à le Gesine*, an. 1419 ('Inventar. Ecclesiæ Noviom.', cited by Du Cange).

<sup>2</sup> Bothawe, near Dowgate, so called from a haw, or yard, where boat-building was carried on.

<sup>3</sup> Capul, capel, caple, &c.=a horse (Halliwell's 'Arch. Dict.').

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said son in tail. Dated London, near *lerber*,<sup>1</sup> at his own house,  
12 August, A.D. 1368. Roll 96 (215).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

**In the Hale** (THOMAS), "curreour."—To be buried in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate near the tomb of Margery his late wife. His dwelling-house and others in Whytecrouchestret in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid to be sold to pay his debts and to maintain a chantry in the aforesaid church, the residue of the proceeds being divided between Cecilia his wife and his children. Also to his said wife he leaves his term to come in certain houses, shops, &c.; and to John and Thomas, senior, his sons, his term in other houses, shops, &c., held under the Prior and Convent of Chrycherche,<sup>2</sup> London. The residue of his goods and chattels he leaves to his wife for the maintenance of his children. Dated London, Sunday, 30 July, A.D. 1368.

Whereupon came the aforesaid Cecilia and put her claim, &c.

Roll 96 (236).

**Vivyen** (PETER), corder.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard. Bequests to the old and new work of the said church. To William Spenser, fishmonger, shops in the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhull for the sum of fifty pounds sterling, forty pounds of which he leaves to be divided equally among John, William, and Isabella his children. Separate guardians appointed for each of his said children, they giving security at the Guildhall according to the custom. To Sir William, the rector of the church of S. Mary Magdalen in Milkstret, twenty shillings. Bequest of ten marks for providing a chantry priest in the church of All Hallows at the Hay. Dated London, Sunday next after the Feast of S. Martin in Yeme [11 Nov.], A.D. 1367. Roll 96 (237).

*Monday next after Feast of SS. Fabian and Sebastian [20 Jan.].*

**Hathefeld** (WILLIAM DE), Chandler.—To Emma his wife for life a certain tenement in lane called "Bordhwelane" in the parish

<sup>1</sup> The Erber or Arber, a famous old house situate on the east side of Dowgate near the church of S. Mary Bothaw. At different times it was inhabited by Richard Nevill, Earl of Warwick, George,

Duke of Clarence, brother of Edward IV., and Sir Francis Drake (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 87).

<sup>2</sup> H. Trinity, Christchurch, within Aldgate.

of S. Mary de Colchirche, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said parish church, for the space of four years next after his decease, for the good of his soul, the souls of Beatrix his late wife and others; remainder to Stephen and William his sons in successive tail. Other tenements near the church of S. Thomas "*de Aquino*"<sup>1</sup> to be sold for pious uses in the church of the Friars Minors of London. Dated London, 10 July, A.D. 1368.

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Roll 96 (242).

**Rokel (JOHN).**—To be buried in the churchyard of the Apostles Peter and Paul at Brawyng.<sup>2</sup> Bequest to the church of S. Paul. Leaves a heifer (*unum relevium*<sup>3</sup> *boviculum*) to be driven before his corpse at his funeral by way of relief. To the fabric of the church of Brawyng he leaves twelve oak trees. To Essabella his wife his tenement in Haywardlane, parish of All Hallows the Great, for a term of nine years, upon the expiration of which the same is to be divided between his said wife and Johanna his daughter; ultimate remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of All Hallows aforesaid for the souls of [his] father and mother, John Rokele (*sic*) and Essabella, wife of the same. Dated in the parish of Brawyng in the diocese of London, Monday the Feast of S. Edmund, King and Martyr [20 Nov.], A.D. 1368.

Roll 96 (243).

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*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

**Broun (MATTHEW),** merchant.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Dunstan towards the Tower. Bequests to the church of the same and ministers thereof; also to John Bolag his servant, upon the said John rendering account of all the testator's goods and

<sup>1</sup> For the second time (cf. p. 35, *supra*) we have this dedication to S. Thomas Aquinas instead of the commonly received one, S. Thomas de Acon. That *De Acon* may possibly be no more than a corruption of *De Aquino* suggests itself.

<sup>2</sup> Braughin, co. Herts.

<sup>3</sup> This appears to be the correct reading of the word, the probable interpretation being that the animal was to serve as a *heriot* or *relief* to his lord of the manor, if not as a *principal*, or mortuary gift to the priest performing his funeral service. (See Part I. pp. 489 n., 611 n.)

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chattels in his charge; to his apprentices and servants, to Blase de Bury and Amy, wife of the same, and others. To Simon his son he leaves the reversion of a certain tenement in Thames Street, parish of S. Dunstan aforesaid, after the death of Johanna his wife; remainder in default of heirs of the body of the said Simon to William, Thomas, and Robert his sons, and Johanna his daughter, in successive tail; remainder to pious uses. Similarly to William his son a tenement in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate, with remainders to his other sons and daughter in successive tail, and further remainders to Peter de Bradeleye in tail and James Wesbroun, late his apprentice, in fee. Also to Thomas his son in tail certain shops in Pourteslane in the parish of S. Dunstan aforesaid, with similar remainders. Also to Robert his son in tail rents in the parish of S. Margaret Patyns issuing from a tenement once belonging to Richard de Causton, late mercer; and to Johanna his daughter in tail a tenement and wharf in the street of Petiwales in the parish of All Hallows de Berkyngecherche, with similar remainders. The aforesaid Blase appointed guardian of Johanna his daughter until she arrive at the age of seventeen years or marry; the custody of his sons being left to Johanna his wife, she giving security according to the custom. Dated London, 21 October, A.D. 1368. Roll 97 (2).

**Durham (JOHN)**, of the parish of Southmymmes.<sup>1</sup>—To be buried in the church of S. Giles, Southmymmes, near the west window. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, and to the old work of S. Paul's. To Johanna his wife tenements in the parish of H. Trinity the Less for life, and other tenements in the parish of Aldermariecherche during the minority of John his son. To Margaret his daughter for life the reversion of the above, on condition that she maintain two chantry priests for the space of ten years; remainder to Henry, son of Thomas de Frowyk. Dated Friday next after the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July], A.D. 1368. Roll 97 (3).

*Monday next after the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

**Chaucer (NICHOLAS)**, pepperer.—To be buried in the church of

<sup>1</sup> Co. Herts.

S. Antonin near the font. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, also for three trentals of masses. His estate and interest in certain houses and tenements he leaves to Sir William Dalton and to Matilda his (the testator's) wife. Pecuniary bequests also to Isabella his sister and to Margaret his kinswoman. The residue of his goods he leaves to the aforesaid Sir William and Matilda in trust for the good of his soul. Dated London, Saturday, 13 January, A.D. 1368. A.D.  
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Roll 97 (6).

Glendale (WILLIAM DE).—To be buried in the church of All Hallows de Bredestrete, to the high altar of which church he leaves the reversion of a missal after the decease of Agnes his wife. Pecuniary bequests to Robert Wygg, cook, Richard Colbrok, John le Fauconnere, and others; and to Sir John de Saxton, Dean of the King's Chapel, he leaves a white horse. To his aforesaid wife all his lands, tenements, &c., for life; remainder to his children and the heirs of their bodies, and in default of such heirs to the maintenance of a chantry in the church aforesaid, under the supervision of the Mayor and Recorder of London. The seal of the aforesaid dean appended as the testator's own seal was but little known. Dated at *le Moreshende*, Thursday the Feast of S. Bartholomew, Apostle [24 Aug.], A.D. 1368. Roll 97 (7).

*Monday after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

Vanne (PETER), grocer.<sup>2</sup>—To be buried in the church of S. Antonin near the tomb of John Vanne his father. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. To Johanna his daughter a sum of money, and a bed of blue colour, viz., a coverlet with tester and a pair of sheets. To Hawysia his wife all his tenements in the parish of S. Antonin for life; remainder to his right heirs. Dated London, Saturday next after the Feast of S. Bartholomew, Apostle [24 Aug.], A.D. 1368. Roll 97 (14).

Holewelle (RICHARD) of Ipswich (*de Gippewico*).—Makes his will seeing the peril of this world and especially of the existing plague.<sup>1</sup> A certain tenement with three shops in the parish of All

<sup>1</sup> The City was in early times much subject to infectious disorders from over-crowding, want of drainage, &c. it was ravaged by what was commonly known as the third pestilence, lasting from 2 July to 29 September, 1369.  
Within a year of the date of this will <sup>2</sup> Lat. *grossarius* = engrosser.

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**1368-9.** Sterling, Robert de Preston, and John Holt de Ipswich in fee. The official seal of the bailiffs of the vill of Ipswich appended, his own being but little known. Dated at Ipswich, Sunday next after the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.], 42 Edward III. [A.D. 1368]. Roll 97 (15).

*Monday next before F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Charwelton (ROBERT DE)**, clerk.—To be buried in the convent church of Catesby. Bequests to the said church and nuns of Catesby of sums of money, a vestment of *Raye*, a chalice, and a silver *Byker*. To Agnes his daughter ten marks, an antique mazer, a piece of silver with the image of S. Katherine and covercle, and a coverlet with tester of white. To the belfry of Charwelton ten pounds. To Sir Simon de Charwelton, senior, Sir Simon de Charwelton, junior, Adam Fraunceys, Robert the testator's son, Johanna and Margaret his daughters, Isabella Daveys, and others he leaves divers sums of money and chattels, comprising a *Byker* with covercle and acorn, a coverlet with tester of knots (*cum testero de nodis*), a mazer with the image of S. Martin on the bottom, a *Byker* and covercle with unicorn, coverlets with testers of green and *blu*, a cup and covercle with Saracen's head, a gilt goblet (*gotet*), &c. To his executors he leaves all rents he had by demise of Thomas de Grantham, and also the marriage of Elizabeth, [daughter and] heiress of the said Thomas, to hold the same until the said Thomas has discharged his debt to the testator. Dated the Feast of S. Anne [26 July], 42 Edward III. [1368].

Roll 97 (24).

**Hengham (EDMUND DE)**, clerk.—All his movable goods to be sold, and after payment of debts and funeral expenses the proceeds to be divided into three parts, whereof one part he leaves for the good of his soul, another part to be divided between Robert his brother, John de Hardyngham, junior, Peter Wareysoun, and their respective wives and families, and the third part he leaves to the church of All Hallows de Stanyngchirche and other pious and charitable uses. No date.

Roll 97 (25).

<sup>1</sup> Co. Northampton, where there was a priory of Benedictine nuns.

*Monday the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*A.D.  
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**Lincoln** (ROBERT DE).—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "Pardounchirchew." Bequests to the old and new work of the said church, the church of S. James near Garlekheth and ministers thereof; to each of the mendicant orders in London, viz., Preaching Friars, Minors, Carmelite, and Augustinian; to the lepers at *le Loke*, Hakeneye, and near the Hospital of S. Giles without Holbourne, and to poor prisoners in Neugate. Provision made for chantries in the church of S. James aforesaid. To Thomas Kyppyng, draper, he leaves his tenement in the parish of S. James aforesaid. Further bequests in aid of the Fraternity of the Blessed Mary in Bow Church, to the Minoresses of S. Clare without Aldgate, and various individuals. Dated London, Monday the Feast of S. Edmund, King and Martyr [20 Nov.], A.D. 1368.

Roll 97 (29).

*Monday the Feast of S. George the Martyr [23 April].*A.D.  
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**Hanhamstede** (WILLIAM DE).—To be buried in the church of S. Laurence de Pulteney. Bequests to the high altar and ministers of the said church. To Johanna his wife tenements in Basynglane in the parishes of S. Mildred de Bredestrete and S. Mary de Aldermaricherche in fee, and an annual rent issuing from tenements in Bogerowe in the parishes of S. Antonin and S. John de Walbrok. Dated London, 3 December, A.D. 1368.

Roll 97 (43).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan [19 May].*

**Hanampsted** (JOHANNA, relict of WILLIAM DE, late grocer).—To be buried in the church of the College of S. Laurence de Pulteney by the side of William her husband. Bequests to the master and chaplains of the said college, and divers orders of friars, for their prayers; also to the vicar and church of Eltham and the church of S. Antonin, London. To Johanna, Cristiana, and Margaret her daughters she leaves cups, *Bolles*, and divers household chattels, and tenements in the parishes of S. Giles without Crepulgate, S. Antonin, S. John upon Walbrok, S. Mildred, S. Mary de Aldermaricherche, and elsewhere. The custody of the said Cristiana and Margaret she leaves to Thomas de Hanamp-

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stede, grocer, their uncle, until they arrive at the age of sixteen years, at which age they may marry without disparagement (*sine disparagacione*<sup>1</sup>) with the consent of the said Thomas, Sir Robert de Wytherdeleye, master of the aforesaid college, and Johanna de Duresme her aunt. The said Thomas to give security at the Guildhall. Certain tenements jointly acquired by her and her husband in the parish of S. Laurence aforesaid to be sold for the maintenance of chantries and for charitable uses. Dated London, Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.], A.D. 1368. Roll 97 (64).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Cane**<sup>2</sup> (WILLIAM).—To Alice his wife all his tenements in the City of London, and all his lands and tenements in the vill of Berkyng, for life; remainder to Matilda and Margaret his daughters in equal portions; the residue of his goods to be disposed of for the good of his soul. Dated London, the morrow of SS. Peter and Paul [29 June], A.D. 1369. Roll 97 (101).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Croucheman** (THOMAS), potter.—To be buried in the church of S. Andrew upon Cornhull near his children. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; also to his servants, apprentices, and others. His lands and tenements in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid to be sold to pay his debts. The residue of his goods after payment of debts and execution of his testament he leaves to Isabella his wife. Dated Sunday next after Feast of S. Bartholomew, Apostle [24 Aug.], A.D. 1368. Roll 97 (102).

**Oudeby** (SIMON DE).—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Andrew in Holbourne. To Isabella his wife a messuage in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid for life; remainder to William his son in tail; remainder to the child (if any) *en ventre sa mère* in

<sup>1</sup> *Disparagement* in a legal sense signifies the marrying an heiress to one not equal in degree. It was not unusual in early times for guardians to dispose of their wards in a very arbitrary, unequal manner; and it was

on this account that it was provided by the Great Charter of King John that heirs (*i.e.*, heiresses) should be married without disparagement (*ita maritentur ne disparagentur*).

<sup>2</sup> Cave (?).



tail; remainder to pious uses. Dated at Holburn, Monday next after the Invention of H. Cross [3 May], A.D. 1365.

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Roll 97 (103).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter ad Vincula [1 Aug.].*

**Cosyn** (WILLIAM), potter.—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph without Algate. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; to poor prisoners in Newgate, William Lumbard his servant, and others. To Johanna his wife he leaves the tenement which he acquired from Thomas de Caxstone, butcher, and Alice, wife of the same, daughter of Nicholas Derman, situate in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid, for life; remainder in trust for the maintenance of a chantry in the said parish church. Also to his said wife all his jewels and implements of gold, silver, wood, lead, and tin, and the residue of his goods not otherwise disposed of, in trust for pious uses for the good of his soul. Dated London, Friday the morrow of S. Margaret, Virgin, viz., XII. Kal. August [21 July], A.D. 1368.

Roll 97 (105).

*Monday next after F. of Translation of S. Edward, King [13 Oct.].*

**Evenefeld** (JOHN DE), pepperer.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Aldermariechirche near the tomb of Dionisia his late wife. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; to the four orders of friars in London for masses, &c.; to the new and old work of the church of S. Paul, the church of S. Thomas de Acon near the Conduit, and the work of London Bridge; to each anchorite in the City and suburbs, and to various individuals. His body not to be left above ground, but to be placed in a chest<sup>1</sup> underground, and to be previously covered with ten ells of black or russet cloth of the value of forty pence the ell; the same to be afterwards distributed to five poor people. Provision also made for wax tapers. All his tenements in the parishes of S. Mary le Bow and S. Laurence in the Jewry to be sold to pay his debts and for the maintenance of chantries in the churches of S. Mary de

<sup>1</sup> *Cista*, the common term for coffin. So when Joseph died in Egypt, the Bible text says he was embalmed and put in a coffin (Genesis, chap. l. 26); but in the chapter heading it is "He dieth, and is chested." For an instance of *coffin* being used as synonymous for chest or *coffer* for keeping valuables in, see Riley's 'Memorials' (p. 429).

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Aldermariechirche and S. Antony, for the space of one year after his decease, for the good of his soul, the souls of Dionisia his late wife, Thomas his father, Agnes his mother, Thomas his brother, and others. To Imania his wife by way of dower he leaves forty pounds and all the merchandise in his shop in Chepe; also all his household goods except six dishes and six *sausers*<sup>1</sup> of silver which are pledged with Robert de Louthe, junior, for six pounds sterling, and which he desires his wife to redeem and devote their value to pious and charitable uses. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves by way of dower his dwelling-house. In case his wife be not content with these bequests by way of dower, she is to forego the whole of them and take only what the law allows her for dower. Bequest of twenty marks in aid of the advancement of Henry, son of his aforesaid wife. To John his son a sum of money and all his other tenements in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermariechirche, together with the reversion of the tenement devised to his wife; and in case he die under age the said tenements to be sold, and the proceeds divided in a specified manner, the Mayor and Recorder of London being left one hundred shillings respectively to see that his wishes are carried out. Dated London, 20 August, A.D. 1368. Roll 97 (125).

Careswell (JOHN DE), baker.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard. Bequests to the church of S. Mildred in Bredstret for maintenance of chantry, &c., and to the church of S. Paul. To Cristina his wife a tenement in the parish of S. Alban in Wode-stret for life; remainder to John and William his sons in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Bequests to the Friars Minors<sup>2</sup> and Carmelites<sup>3</sup> for a trental of masses. Dated London, 5 July, A.D. 1361. Roll 97 (131).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

Breton (JOHN).—To be buried in the chapel of the Friars of the Holy Cross,<sup>4</sup> to whom he leaves a certain tenement and garden. Bequests to Berkyngherche and ministers thereof. To Elianora his wife all his lands and tenements in the parish of All Hallows

<sup>1</sup> Saltcellars.

<sup>2</sup> Franciscans or Grey Friars.

<sup>3</sup> Or White Friars.

<sup>4</sup> Crossed or Crutched Friars, who had their house in Hart Street, Aldgate.

de Berkyngcherche, situate in Syvetheneslane,<sup>1</sup> for life; remainder to John his son. Dated Saturday next after the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.], A.D. 1364. Roll 97 (143).

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**Wodegate (JOHN)**, tapicer.—To be buried in the place mentioned in another testament concerning his goods movable. His dwelling-place in the parish of S. Dionisius de Baccherche in Fancherchestrete to be sold after the decease of Alice his wife, and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. The rest of his tenements in the said parish to be sold by his wife as executrix, and the proceeds to be divided into two parts, one part of which he leaves to his said wife, and the other to be devoted to pious and charitable uses. A tenement in Bredstret to be also sold, and the proceeds disposed of in like manner. Dated London, the Feast of the Decollation of S. John Baptist [29 Aug.], A.D. 1369. Roll 97 (145).

**Yerdelee (HENRY DE)**, “fellmongere.”—To be buried in S. Paul’s churchyard. To Sabine his wife he leaves one thousand marks sterling, her entire chamber, with jewels, &c., appertaining thereto, and all household goods. Bequests to the old and new work of S. Paul’s, the church of All Hallows at the Hay and ministers thereof, and the churches of S. Swythin de Candelwykstrete and S. Augustine near S. Paul’s Gate. Provision made for chantries in the churches of the Grey Friars of Stratford, of the Priory of H. Trinity within Algate, the Priory of S. Bartholomew de Smethefeld, S. Mary de Ovree, and in the chapel of the H. Trinity at the New Cemetery<sup>2</sup> towards the Tower, and elsewhere. To Katherine his daughter he leaves the reversion of a certain tenement in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, after the decease of his wife, in tail; remainder in trust for sale, and

<sup>1</sup> Seething Lane.

<sup>2</sup> “In the year 1348, the 23rd of Edward III., the first great pestilence in his time began, and increased so sore, that for want of room in churchyards to bury the dead of the City and of the suburbs, one John Corey, clerk, procured of Nicholas, Prior of the H. Trinity within Aldgate, one toft of ground near unto East Smithfield, for

the burial of them that died, with condition that it might be called the churchyard of the Holy Trinity..... and the same was dedicated by Ralph Stratford, Bishop of London, where innumerable bodies of the dead were afterwards buried, and a chapel built in the same place to the honour of God” (Stow’s ‘Survey,’ Thoms’s ed., 1876, p. 47).

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the proceeds to be devoted to the old and new work of S. Paul's and the work of London Bridge. Also to Sabine his wife certain tenements in Watlyngstrete in the parish of All Hallows de Bredstrete and elsewhere for life; remainder in trust for sale, and twenty pounds of the proceeds to be given to the prisoners in Neugate, and the residue to be devoted to pious uses. The entire residue of his goods and chattels movable to be devoted to the education of poor children and in aid of the marriage of poor girls. Dated London, 24 May, A.D. 1368. Roll 97 (146).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Clement, Pope [23 Nov.].*

**Bonere** (GEOFFREY), "paternostermakere."—To be buried in the church of S. Michael le Quern under the stone which covers the body of Elena his late wife. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. All his movable goods to be sold, and the proceeds divided into three portions, one of which he leaves to Johanna his wife by way of dower, a second to be expended for the good of his soul, the souls of Ada, Matilda, William Bonere (*sic*), and others, and the third to be divided among his legitimate children. His executors appointed guardians of his children during minority, they giving security according to the custom. To Johanna his wife and to her children he leaves all his tenements in Brugges in Flanders, situate in Carmestrete and Bongarestrete, to be divided among them according to the custom of that country. His executors to collect a certain dower assigned to him by Cristina, late wife of John Bonere, issuing from a tenement called "le Horsheved" within Ludgate, together with a certain other rent, and to divide the same among his children, reserving one third for pious uses. Also to his children he leaves for their lives his estate in a certain tenement in Fletestrete without Ludgate in the parish of S. Martin, reserving to his aforesaid wife her dower according to the law of England; remainder to Richard Bonere his brother and Geoffrey, son of the same, for their respective lives; remainder to the brethren of the Guild of S. Hilda in the church of S. Michael aforesaid. Further bequests to Katherine his illegitimate daughter, the Fraternity of S. Katherine of the Haberdashers<sup>1</sup> of London, Johanna, wife of

<sup>1</sup> The haberdashers of London were first incorporated as a guild or fraternity in honour of S. Katherine by charter of Henry VI. (3 June, 1448).

Richard Brente, and others; also of the sum of twenty shillings for gathering together the chief parishioners of S. Michael aforesaid, and other friends and neighbours, within one year next after his decease, and giving them drinks. Dated London, Friday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July], A.D. 1368.

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Roll 97 (164).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

Potenhale (JOHN DE), "wodemonger."—To be buried before the image of S. Mary in the chancel of the church of S. Andrew de Castel Baynard. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. To Alice his wife he leaves all his tenements and rents in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid for life, charged with providing a wax torch of twelve pounds weight to burn before the high altar in the said church at the elevation of the Host; remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of chantries in the same church. To William his son a wharf and house. Also to his aforesaid wife a certain *shout*<sup>1</sup> (*shotam meam*) and *Batell*<sup>2</sup> with their apparel, his other *shouts* being sold to pay his debts. To Elias his son and to Isabella his daughter he leaves specific sums of money. Further bequests for the repair of the bridge of Beuerhich,<sup>3</sup> to the four orders of mendicant friars in London, to his servants, to Nicholas and Walter his brothers, Friar John his wife's son, and others. Dated London, 4 September, A.D. 1368.

Roll 97 (180).

*Monday next after Feast of SS. Fabian and Sebastian [20 Jan.].* A.D. 1369-70.

Bretford (HENRY DE).—To be buried in the church of All Hallows de Graschirche. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. To John and Richard his sons shops in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid in tail, with cross remainders. Also to the said Richard his term in a tenement called "Cardinalhatte." In the event of his sons dying without heirs of their bodies the aforesaid tenements are to be sold for pious uses for the good of

<sup>1</sup> Or schuyt. (See Calendar, Part I. p. 440 n.) They are mentioned in the fleet which conveyed the army of Richard Cœur de Lion to the Holy Land.

<sup>2</sup> See Calendar, Part I. p. 474 n.

<sup>3</sup> Benerhich (?); possibly meaning

"Bearidge-bridge," in the parish of Bagendon, co. Gloucester, crossing the river Churn, on the road from London to Gloucester (Atkyns's 'History of Glouces.', second ed., p. 129).

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**1369-70.** appointed for each of his sons. To his official (*officiali meo*) for probate of his testament he leaves the sum of six shillings and eightpence because he does not wish his executors to be distressed with accounts, but they are to pledge themselves upon the Bible (*super librum*) to carry out his last will. Lucy his wife mentioned as one of his executors. Dated London, 20 November, A.D. 1368. Roll 97 (204).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

**Lygth (WILLIAM)**, cook.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Sepulchre without Neugate near his children. Bequests to the vicar and chaplains of the said church, the inmates of the Hospital of S. Bartholomew de Smethefeld, the master and brethren of the same; also to Sister Johanna Percevale and Sister Lora. To Johanna his wife he leaves the remaining term of service of his apprentices, and his tenement in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid in fee. His said wife to cause three masses *de Sancta Maria* to be sung every Saturday for the good of his soul so long as she shall live. To William, clerk, a messuage and a piece of silver of twenty shillings weight or the sum of twenty shillings. Dated London, 14 August, 42 Edward III. [A.D. 1368].

Roll 98 (20).

**Sarisbirs or Sarisbris (ROBERT DE)**.—Bequests to the high altar of the church of S. Michael de la Cokedelane for tithes forgotten or withheld; also for making a window near the tomb of Sir Peter de Keer, Knt., in the church of the Augustinian Friars; to the hospitals of S. Thomas de Suthwerk and S. Mary without Bisshopesgate, the Sisters of S. Katherine near the Tower, and inmates of Newgate. To William Doget, vintner, he leaves twenty marks sterling. To Idonia his wife a moiety of all his tenements and rents, the other moiety being left to Walter his son, for their respective lives; remainder to pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of William Baynardescastel and others. Dated London, Tuesday next after the Feast of Nativity of B.V. Mary [8 Sept.], A.D. 1350. Roll 98 (21).

*Monday the Feast of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

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**Mosehache** (WILLIAM), tanner.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Sepulchre without Neugate, on the south side near the cross. Bequests to the said church and ministers and lights thereof; to various orders of friars in London, the old fabric of S. Paul's, &c. To Johanna his wife he leaves his table in the Tannerseld, London, with all rights and appurtenances, for life, so long as she remain a widow or if she marry a man of the craft of tanners; remainder to Richard his son if he follow the same craft, otherwise the same is to go to William atte Felde. The owner of the said table for the time being is to cause a certain number of masses to be sung in the church of S. Mary le Bow, upon pain of its reversion to the Fraternity of the Tannerseld. A certain tenement in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid to be sold to fulfil his testament, and six marks sterling out of the proceeds to be given to Amicia his daughter. Another tenement in the same parish to go to his aforesaid wife for life; remainders to his aforesaid son and daughter in successive tail. Dated in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid, 2 April, 43 Edward III. [A.D. 1369]. Roll 98 (55).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Atte Gate** (GEOFFREY).—To be buried in the churchyard of the Canons of S. Paul. Bequests to the old and new work of S. Paul's, the old work of the church of S. Vedast, &c. To Thomas de Pynnor, Agnes, wife of the same, and their children he leaves a tenement in the parish of S. Vedast aforesaid. Tenements in Westchepe in the same parish, and his leasehold interest in tenements at S. Paul's Gate, to be in aid of a chantry in the church of S. Vedast for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice and Johanna his late wives, and others. Bequests to his apprentices, to Robert Spaldyng and Juliana, wife of the same, Sir Robert the Chaplain, son of Alice his former wife, and to Friar Simon his son. Dated London, 16 July, A.D. 1361. Roll 98 (66).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Cotyngnam** (THOMAS DE), Rector of the church of Wardon in the diocese of Lincoln.—Bequests to the said church and to each

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order of mendicant friars in London; also (among others) to the following:—Sir Nicholas de Spaygne, Sir William de Burstall, Sir Nicholas de Ravendale, William de Hull and Elena, wife of the same, Alice Beauflour, Hugh de Cotyngham, clerk, Nigel West his kinsman and Beatrix, wife of the same, and various servants. Besides sums of money he leaves divers robes furred with *Byss*,<sup>1</sup> his small book called “journal,” a book on letters of Master de Pekeryng (*de literis de factura Magistri de Pekeryng*) and of the Court of Rome (*et de factura Curie Romane*) and other Masters; also a quire<sup>2</sup> on letters of the Chancery (*de literis Cancellar’*) and the clergy (*de clero*) abridged (*sub compendio*), his portifory and cassock (*clamide*). Certain tenements in Holbourn to be sold and a portion of the proceeds devoted to the good of his soul. He forgives his debtors at Wardon their debts to the amount of twenty shillings. Dated London, 10 May, A.D. 1370. Roll 98 (75).

**Dorsete (RICHARD), “Fullere.”**—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Wolnoth in Lumbardstrete in the same tomb as Emma his late wife. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, and to the Friars of S. Augustine for their prayers. To Walter and Robert his apprentices and to Alice de Grenewych he leaves (among other things) a pair of shears, coats of ray cloth and furred, a red coverlet with white roses, a *blanket* and sheets. His tenement in the lane called “Scheteboruelane”<sup>3</sup> to be sold to pay his debts, saving to Alice his wife her dower; and one moiety of the residue of the proceeds he leaves to his said wife, the other moiety being devoted to pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Emma and Alice his former wives, and others. Dated London, Thursday the Feast of S. Mark [25 April], 44 Edward III. [A.D. 1370]. Roll 98 (89).

**Bristolle (JOHN DE), tanner.**—To be buried in the church of

<sup>1</sup> *Bisse*, fur made from part of the skin of the hind or female deer. Fr. *biche* = a hind.

<sup>2</sup> A quire (*quaterna*) properly denoted a bundle of paper comprising a certain number of sheets; frequently used to signify any similar bundle of sheets or unbound volume. Called in Norfolk a *quaire* (Way’s ‘Prompt. Parv.’).

<sup>3</sup> This appears to be the correct reading and not “Schetebornelane,” notwithstanding its being known as “Sherborn” Lane at the present day. In a cartulary belonging to the Mercers’ Company it constantly occurs as “Shiteburghelane” and “Schitebournelane” (cf. “Shitteborwelane” in Part I. of this Calendar, p. 13).



S. Sepulchre without Newgate near the south gate of S. Katherine. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, to each order of friars in London, the prisoners in Newgate, the alms-boxes (*Pixidibus*) for lepers around London, the old work of S. Paul's, and for the repair of highways around London where most necessary. Provision made for a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes his wife and others. Also to Agnes his wife he leaves a moiety of all his goods, movable and immovable, by way of dower, and her entire chamber and kitchen; also all his tenements in Secollane in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid for life. To Nicholas his brother one hundred shillings. Dated London, 19 June, A.D. 1369. Roll 98 (90).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Stoke (JOHN)**, "brewer."—To be buried in the church of S. Dionisius, London. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; also for providing a chantry therein for one year. To Agnes his wife he leaves his tenement in the parish of S. Dionisius aforesaid for life; remainder to Sir Thomas Jordan, Vicar of Berkyng, for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Further bequests to John, son of John de Stoke, tapicer, his godson, and to Alice, daughter of the same. Dated London, the last day of January, A.D. 1367. Roll 98 (105).

*Monday the Feast of SS. Fabian and Sebastian [20 Jan.].*

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**Ippegrave (ALICE)**, relict of THOMAS, late goldsmith).—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard near the tomb of her late husband. Bequests to Sir Thomas, the rector of the church of S. Augustine near S. Paul's Gate, and his successors, for the celebration of a trental of S. Gregory<sup>1</sup> in the said church, as well as to the high altar and various lights within the said church, charged on certain tenements in the parish of S. Augustine, which she acquired by gift of John de Bernes, mercer, executor of the will of William de Causton, late mercer. Further bequests of money or chattels,

<sup>1</sup> This trental consisted of thirty masses, three to be said on each of the ten chief festivals—Christmas, the Circumcision, the Purification, the Annunciation, the Resurrection, the Ascension, Pentecost, Trinity Sunday, the Virgin Mary's

Assumption and her Nativity. (See a poem, 'Trentalle, Sancti Gregorii,' printed in 'Religious, Political, and Love Poems,' edited by Dr. Furnivall for the Early Eng. Text Soc., 1866, p. 87.)

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**1370-1.** comprising a *courtesy* of *bluet* furred, a red *curtel*, kerchiefs, mazer cups, spoons, &c., to Johanna Benet, John, the brother of the testatrix, and Juliana, wife of the said John, John her son, Agnes Pewtrer, and others. Dated London, Friday the Vigil of S. Thomas, Apostle [21 Dec.], A.D. 1370. Roll 98 (172).

## ANNO 45 EDWARD III.

*Monday the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Ramesey** (JOHN DE).—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph.<sup>1</sup> Bequests for the maintenance of chantries in the same for the good of his soul, the souls of Master William de Rameseye, Christiana, wife of the same, William his brother, Hugh de Thinflitch and Christiana, wife of the same, and others. Also to the said church he leaves a missal, a portifory, and two Graduals.<sup>2</sup> To his three daughters he leaves one hundred marks in equal portions. To Ralph his son the reversion of all his tenements after the decease of Felicia his wife, to whom he gives a life interest in the same, together with the sum of one hundred marks, and all necessaries appertaining to his house, so long as she remain a chaste widow; otherwise she is to have only her dower. Releases Thomas his apprentice from two years' service of his term. Dated Monday next before the Feast of S. Rufus [27 Aug.], A.D. 1370.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Passeware** (WILLIAM), draper.—To be buried in Pardon churchyard (*in cimiterio indulgencie*) of S. Paul's, London. All his goods, after payment of debts, to be divided into two parts, whereof one part he leaves to Cristina his wife by way of dower, and of the remaining portion falling to him he leaves divers sums of money to the churches of S. John the Evangelist and S. Margaret in Frydaystrete, to certain orders of friars in London, the

<sup>1</sup> There were four churches dedicated to S. Botolph, each of them situate at a City gate, viz., Aldersgate, Aldgate, Billingsgate, and Bishopsgate. There is nothing in this will to show to which of these four the testator refers.

<sup>2</sup> "Gradals" or "Grailes"; service books containing the responses or *gradalia*, so called because sung *in gradibus*, or by course. They appear among similar books belonging to the chapel on London Bridge, 1350.

inmates of various hospitals and prisons, recluse anchorites in the City of London, the Fraternity of S. John of the Tailors of London<sup>1</sup> and chaplain and common sergeant of the same, lepers around London, the nuns of Haliwell and Kilbourne, the fabric of the church of S. Thomas "*de Aquino*," &c. To the two chaplains serving before the tomb of S. Erkenwald<sup>2</sup> in S. Paul's Church he leaves twenty shillings respectively for their prayers. Dated 9 March, A.D. 1369. Roll 99 (24).

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**Wirhale or Wyrhale (JOHN DE).**—To be buried in the church of S. George near Estchepe. Bequests to the said church and ministers and lights thereof; also to the poor inmates in the hospitals of S. Thomas de Southwerk, S. Mary without Bysshopesgate, S. Mary de Belhem (*sic*) without Bisshopesgate, S. Mary de Elsyngspitle, S. Bartholomew de Smythfeld, S. Giles without Holbourne, S. James near Westminster, and *le lokes* near Southwerk. Certain tenements in the Ward of Billyngesgate to be sold for payment of debts, &c., and the residue he leaves to Agnes his wife and to William Wirhale, goldsmith, his son. Dated London, 4 February, A.D. 1370. Roll 99 (40).

**Bysshop (WILLIAM), glover.**—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Peter's upon Cornhull. Bequests to the church of S. Peter and ministers thereof, and instructions for funeral, masses, &c. All his personal clothing to be distributed among the poor immediately after his decease. To Leticia his wife he leaves certain tenements in the parish of S. Peter aforesaid, and shops belonging to a tenement called "*le Horsmille*" in the same parish, for life; after her decease the same to be in the hands of his executors for the space of ten years, and then to remain to Robert his son. To Katherine, wife of William Stoket, fuller, his best gold ring. Dated London, 4 November, A.D. 1370. Roll 99 (43).

<sup>1</sup> The tailors and linen armourers of London were incorporated by charter in the first year of Edward III. by the title of the Fraternity of Tailors and Armourers of Linen Armour of S. John the Baptist in the City of London.

<sup>2</sup> His body was brought to S. Paul's

with great solemnity on 14 Nov., 1148. His tomb was always held in great veneration, even after the Reformation, and his festival was the great day of the year at the Cathedral ('London,' "Historic Towns" series, p. 157).

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**Bradelee** (STEPHEN DE), leather merchant.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael de Bassieshauwe. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, and provision made for chantries therein; also to divers religious orders for masses, *Placebo*, and *Dirige*. Desires Isabella his wife to provide John his father with suitable maintenance for life, otherwise his said father is to have two shillings a week charged on certain shops situate within *la Aleye* in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid. Also to his said father he leaves two best cloaks (*collobia*<sup>1</sup>), viz., one of scarlet and the other of *Taune*. Further bequests to Walter and Nicholas his brothers, his several apprentices, the inmates of various hospitals, the poor prisoners in Neugate, the work of the churches of H. Trinity the Great within Algate, S. Katherine near the Tower, and S. Michael aforesaid, to which last he leaves his best girdle of silver, besides one hundred shillings for consecrating a piece of land belonging to the churchyard of the same. To Isabella his wife he leaves tenements in the parishes of S. Michael aforesaid and S. Stephen de Colmanstret and also in Philippeslane for life; remainder to John his son in tail, to whom he also leaves a tenement called “le Cage” in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid; remainder to John de Bradele, the testator’s brother, and to Philip, son of the said John. A certain tenement in Fletstrete to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 22 February, A.D. 1370. Roll 99 (45).

*Monday next after the Feast of SS. Philip and James [1 May].*

**Atte Chambre** (WILLIAM).—To be buried in the church of S. Brigid. Bequests to the said church, its altar, lights, and ministers. His tenement in Fletestrete to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to pious uses for the souls of Henry atte Chambre, Agnes, wife of the same, William Burdevyll and Anabilla, wife of the same, William atte Chambre and Isabella, wife of the same, and others. Dated London, Tuesday next before the Feast of Purification of B.V. Mary [2 Feb.], A.D. 1370. Roll 99 (46).

<sup>1</sup> According to the dictionary of John de Garlande of the thirteenth century, *collobia* are properly hoods worn by countrymen: *Colobia capucia sunt* | *bubulcorum* (Wright’s ‘Vocab.’ p. 133). Others, however, describe them as a cloak or coat with short sleeves or none at all, resembling a tabard or rochet.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas [11 June].*

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**Flynt** (WALTER), dyer.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Mary Somersete near his children. To Cristina his wife all his tenements and rents in the City of London for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, Saturday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May], A.D. 1370.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Weston** (THOMAS DE), chandler.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Swythin de Candelwykstrete. Bequests to the church of S. Swythin and ministers thereof, and provision made for chantries for the good of his soul, the souls of William his brother, William de Salesbury, chaplain, and others. Further bequests to lepers near S. Giles without Holbourne, poor prisoners in Neugate, and the inmates of various hospitals. To Johanna his wife a life interest in a certain tenement at the corner of S. Swithin's Lane, which he and his said wife jointly acquired from Robert de Hatfeld, "burler,"<sup>1</sup> to hold to him (the testator), his heirs and assigns; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses if his said wife shall not have previously sold the same, which he empowers her to do. To Agnes his daughter twenty shillings. Dated London, Tuesday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June], A.D. 1371.

Roll 99 (97).

**Blood** (THOMAS), fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas Coldabbeye. Directions for providing a chantry in the same for the space of one year after his decease. The residue of his goods and chattels, after payment of debts and funeral expenses, and all his estate in lands and tenements in the City of London as well as in the parishes of Kyngesdom and Fremyngham, co. Kent, he leaves to Juliana his wife. Also to his said wife a certain shop for life; remainder in trust for augmentation of a chantry in the

<sup>1</sup> Bureller, or maker of a coarse cloth called "borel" or "burel." "Borel men" or "folk," as mentioned by Chaucer and other early English writers, says Riley, were humble laymen, customarily dressed in this cloth (see 'Lib. Cust.,' Glossary, s. v. *burellarius*). And yet this hardly seems to accord with the following extract from Chaucer:—

For, sire and dame, trustith me right wel,  
Our orisons ben more effectuel;  
And more we se of Goddis secre thinges  
Than *borel folk*, although that they ben  
*kinges*.

We lyve in povert and in abstinence,  
And *borel folk* in riches and dispence  
Of mete and drink, and in her ful delyt.  
'The Sompnours Tale' (161-167).

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**1371.** John Syward, and others. To John, rector of the aforesaid church of S. Nicholas, twenty shillings. His servants to be remunerated for long service. Dated London, 9 May, A.D. 1370.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Koo** (GILBERT) de London.—To be buried in the church of All Saints, Writtle,<sup>1</sup> and for mortuary fee<sup>2</sup> he leaves his best horse. Bequests for torches and *taperes* to burn in the said church; also for maintenance of fabric, &c., of the same church, and the church of S. Andrew in London, such bequests being charged on his property in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid, in the Ward of Baynardecastel. To Katherine his daughter he leaves all his houses and rents in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses in the church of Writtle for the good of his soul, the souls of Katherine his late wife and others. Also to his said daughter all his lands, tenements, and rents in Writtele, Wynlynghal,<sup>3</sup> Rokayl,<sup>4</sup> and Wynlynghal Spayn, on condition that she pay to his executors within one year after his decease the sum of fifty marks sterling, to be expended by them as directed. Further bequests to poor men and women of cloth for coats and hoods, shoes, chemises, &c. To the friars of Chelmesford<sup>5</sup> he leaves twenty shillings. To John his brother, John his kinsman, Michael Blache, Richard Wolim, John his son, Katherine his aforesaid daughter, and others, he leaves sums of money and divers chattels, including bed furniture, pots, pans, ewers, spoons, &c. Dated 27 October, A.D. 1369.

Roll 99 (120).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Stokes** (JOHN DE) de Theydon Gernoun.<sup>6</sup> —To be buried in the church of Theydon Gernoun. Bequests to the rector and church of S. Dionisius de Bakcherche near Grascherche. To Lucy his

<sup>1</sup> Writtle, co. Essex.

<sup>2</sup> See Calendar, Part I. pp. 489 n., 611 n.

<sup>3</sup> There are two places in the county of Essex known respectively as Wilingale Doe and Wilingale Spain.

<sup>4</sup> Roxwell, (?) co. Essex.

<sup>5</sup> A house of Dominican or Black Friars was situate in this town, or rather in an adjoining hamlet called Fulsham or Mulsham (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.' p. 134).

<sup>6</sup> Theydon Garnon, co. Essex.

wife his tenement in Lymstrete in the parish of S. Dionisius aforesaid for life; remainder to Thomas his son in tail; remainder to John his son in fee. Dated London, Wednesday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.], A.D. 1371.

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Roll 99 (146).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Nicholas, Bishop [6 Dec.].*

**Andrew (JOHN).**—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Elena, London. Bequests to the Prior and Convent of S. Elena aforesaid; to various religious orders; to the inmates of divers hospitals, the lepers at *la lokes* near Southwerk and of S. Giles without Holbourne, the Prior and Convent of the new Abbey of S. Mary near Smythfeld,<sup>1</sup> the Minoreesses of the new abbey without Algate, each anchorite in the City of London and suburbs, the work of the chapel of S. Katherine near the Tower, and the house of S. Leonard at Bedeford.<sup>2</sup> Provision made for a chantry in the church of S. Elena aforesaid. Further bequests to Adam Fraunceys his lord (*domino meo*) and Adam and Matilda, children of the same; to his servants; to William Andrew his brother and Agnes, wife of the same, Isabella his sister and Johanna her daughter, and others. His estate in a certain tenement in the parish of S. Martin without Ludgate to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, Friday the Vigil of All Saints [1 Nov.], A.D. 1371.

Roll 99 (155).

*Monday next before Feast of SS. Fabian and Sebastian [20 Jan.].*

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**Kilbourne (ANDREW).**—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Bartholomew the Less. Bequests to the church of S. Bartholomew aforesaid and ministers thereof, and the church of S. Edmund in Lumbardestret. Provision made for maintenance of chantries and tapers. His estate in certain tenements and rents in the

<sup>1</sup> "On the east and by north of the Tower, lieth East Smithfield and Tower hill, two plots of ground so called, without the wall of the City; and east from them both was sometime a monastery called New Abbey, founded by King Edward III. in the year 1359" (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 47). The chronicler proceeds to state the reason of its foundation, namely, a vow made in time of peril by the king to build a

monastery, and his taking a liking for the chapel built in the cemetery devoted to the burial of those dying of the Black Death. (Cf. *supra*, p. 131 n.)

<sup>2</sup> Little is known beyond the fact that before 30 Edw. I. an hospital dedicated to S. Leonard, in which were six chaplains, was founded by some townsman, in the south part of the town (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.,' p. 9).

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**1371-2.** remainder in trust for pious uses. Also to his said wife a shop in Westchepe in the parish of S. Pancras for life, with power to sell the same and enjoy one moiety of the proceeds if she will, the other moiety being devoted to works of charity. To William Averey his apprentice he leaves at the end of term of service a *Bylte*,<sup>1</sup> a *chipax*,<sup>2</sup> a *Twyble*,<sup>3</sup> an *augour*,<sup>4</sup> a *squire*,<sup>5</sup> and a *sawe*. Dated London, Friday the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July], A.D. 1371. Roll 99 (179).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mark, Evangelist [25 April].*

**Tudenhām** (THOMAS).—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Michael in Bassynghawe. To Margaret his wife a life interest in all lands and tenements in possession or reversion after the decease of William his father, to whom he gives a general release of all actions, real and personal. Dated London, 20 December, A.D. 1371. Roll 100 (58).

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Welde** (WILLIAM DE), draper, citizen and Alderman.<sup>6</sup>—To be buried in the church of S. Margaret de Lotheburi. To Agnes his wife a tenement with shops in the parish of S. Margaret aforesaid for life; remainder to Simon his son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, Sunday, the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.], A.D. 1371. Roll 100 (61).

*Monday the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Not** (JOHN), pepperer.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Bothawe. Bequests to the said church for lights, &c., and to ministers therein; also to divers orders of friars, the old and new work of S. Paul's Church, the work of the church of S. Thomas de Acon, the inmates of Neugate and of several hospitals, lepers around London, the Sisters of S. Katherine near the Tower,

<sup>1</sup> Qy. billet (chopping block).

<sup>2</sup> A small axe.

<sup>3</sup> *Twibill* or *trybill*, a two-edged bill or mattock. Lat. *bipennis*.

<sup>4</sup> Auger or wimble.

<sup>5</sup> Square.

<sup>6</sup> Coleman Street Ward, succeeded by Adam Stable. Letter-Book G, fol. 285 b.



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and every hermit and anchorite in and around London. Provision made for chantries in the aforesaid church of S. Mary for the good of his soul, the souls of John his father, Juliana his mother, Adam de Salesbury, John Hamond, and others. To Cecilia his wife he leaves one hundred pounds sterling, all his personal clothing, and all domestic chattels. To Lucy his sister ten pounds, and a cup of silver with covercle. His executors directed to purchase cloth of Candelwykstrete,<sup>1</sup> whereof to make coats and hoods for distribution among the porters of Soperslane<sup>2</sup> who customarily served the Pepperers. A certain tenement which he purchased of Geoffrey de Northampton in Basynglane in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermariecherche to be sold, and the proceeds given to his aforesaid wife for her own use. To Thomas, son of John Warde, pepperer, he leaves a certain shop with wardrobe annexed, situate upon S. Giles's Hill in the street of Apothecaries in the suburb of Winchester, in tail; remainder to John, brother of the said Thomas, in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Also to his aforesaid wife a certain tenement in the parish of S. Antonin for life; remainder to Agnes his niece, wife of the said John Warde, in tail; remainder in trust for sale by the rector and four parishioners of the aforesaid church of S. Mary de Bothawe for pious and charitable uses. Also to his aforesaid niece the reversion of certain tenements in Bogenowe in the parish of S. John de Walbroke in tail, with similar remainder. All his balances, weights, brass mortars and pestles appertaining to his shop to be sold. Further bequests to his servants, and to the ordinary before whom his will is proved. Dated London, 7 March, A.D. 1369. Roll 100 (66).

**Redeford (JOHN), "glover."**—To be buried in the church of

<sup>1</sup> This street was much frequented by weavers in early times, and "cloths of Canwyke Street" were universally known so late at least as *temp.* Henry VI. Lydgate says in 'London Lickpenny':—

Then full I went by London Stone,  
Throughout all *Canwyke Street*,  
*Drapers* much cloth offered me anon.

<sup>2</sup> The Pepperers, Spicers, and others superintended the weighing of all goods of a heavy description (*averia ponderis*) which were weighed by *aver de pois* (Ital. *peso grosso*); they thus came to be

known as *Grossarii* (Grocers). A tariff of charges for portorage agreed to by the Wardens of the Grocers and certain porters, anno 3 Richard II. [A.D. 1379–80], is set out in a Minute Book belonging to the Company, a facsimile of which appeared in 1886. The porters, on their part, agree to serve the "mystery" of Grocers by themselves and their deputies, and to have ready at least six men in Soper's Lane and Bucklersbury every working day, and to carry packages at fixed charges (Grocers' MS., fol. 55).

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S. Botolph without and near Bisshopesgate. To Johanna his wife he leaves five shops in the parish of S. Alban in Woddestret for life; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds divided among his children. For the maintenance of the light of the fraternity of his craft he leaves twelve pence. Bequests also to the aforesaid church, ministers, and lights therein, as also to the anchorite living there and to the fabric of the belfry. Dated London, VII. Ides of March [9 March], A.D. 1370. Roll 100 (69).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Somersham** (JOHN), woolman.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Fancherche, before the altar of S. John the Baptist, if the parishioners will consent, otherwise in the church of All Hallows de Stanyng near the tomb of his grandfather. Various bequests to the church of S. Mary aforesaid, for maintenance of lights, &c., if he be buried there; otherwise the bequests are to go to the aforesaid church of Stanyng. Further bequests to the church of Fancherche and ministers thereof; also to the fabric of the conventual church of H. Trinity, London. Directions for funeral ceremony, burning of tapers, distributions to the poor, &c.; and provision made for chantries in the said church of Fanchirche. Bequests also to Alice his wife, Walter his brother, Katherine his sister, Johanna and Agnes his nieces, Isabella his brother's daughter, John de Kent, tapicer, and others, of sums of money and divers household goods and chattels, including a long painted chest of Flemish work. Also to Alice his wife his estate in certain tenements in the parish of S. Mary de Fancherche for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses in the church of Fancherche for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his wife, Simon de Brunne, and others. Dated London, Saturday next before the Feast of Apostles Philip and James [1 May], A.D. 1368.<sup>1</sup>

Roll 100 (71).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Kyngeston** (THOMAS), "Tortebaker."<sup>1</sup>—To be buried in the church of S. Peter in Bradstret near Matilda his wife. Directions for funeral and keeping his month's mind, and bequest for main-

<sup>1</sup> Baker of tourte bread, a coarse bread made of unbolted meal.

taining a chantry in the aforesaid church. To Agnes his daughter he leaves certain tenements in the parish of S. Peter aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale, and one hundred shillings of the proceeds to go to each surviving son and daughter of the said Agnes, the residue being devoted to pious and charitable uses. Further bequests to the church of S. Augustine Pappeye, the Augustinian Friars, and to Thomas, son of William Wodemongere, his godson. Dated London, 6 November, A.D. 1371.

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Roll 100 (87).

**Cressewyk (ROBERT).**—To be buried in the church of S. Leonard in S. Vedast Street. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein. A black cloth to cover his corpse at his funeral, the same being afterwards given to the poor. Bequests of money to Roger Bate de Norton, Elizabeth Southam, William Wodhous, and Agnes, wife of the same; and to William his brother his best horse. To Johanna his wife he leaves a moiety of all his movable goods to dispose of on his behalf as she would like him to do were he to survive her. Provision made for a chantry in the church of S. Benedict de Greschurche. Also to Johanna his wife he leaves two shops in the parish of S. Benedict aforesaid for life; remainder to William his brother. Certain rents without Crepulgate in the parish of S. Giles to be sold for pious uses. Dated London, Wednesday, 21 April, A.D. 1372.

Roll 100 (92).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Patrik (GEOFFREY), "scryveyn."**—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Mary's Chapel in the new churchyard<sup>1</sup> near Smetefeld. Bequests to the said chapel, and to the church of S. Michael de Paternostercherche and ministers therein. Pecuniary bequests to John and Thomas his sons, Cecilia, Elizabeth, and Margaret his daughters; to John Wryght de Welle his apprentice; John Chamberleyn de Garton, chaplain; Friar John Ingram, a hermit at the place called "le Swannesnest" near the Tower; Sir Robert, a recluse monk near the Tower; Friar Richard de Swepeston, a hermit near the church of S. Laurence, Jewry, and Geoffrey, companion of the same; also to each of the four orders of friars, the three colleges of lepers near London, viz., at *le loke*, at S. Giles de Hol-

<sup>1</sup> Probably "New Church Haw" in West Smithfield. See note *supra*, p. 62.

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bourne, and at Hakeney; the anchorite at Crepelgate and at Holbourne, &c. Also to John his son he leaves the reversion of a tenement in the parish of S. Giles without Crepelgate, after the decease of Isabella his wife, in tail; remainders to Thomas his son, Cecilia, Elizabeth, and Margaret his daughters, in successive tail. To his aforesaid wife he leaves the custody of his children so long as she remain unmarried, also twenty pounds sterling by way of dower of his movable goods, her entire chamber, and all beds, linen and woollen clothes, vessels, &c. The residue of his goods to be divided into two parts, whereof he leaves one part to his wife and the other to be devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 1 July, 45 Edward III. [A.D. 1371]. Roll 100 (103).

**Carlell** (ADAM DE), draper.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "le Pardoncherchewawe." Pecuniary bequests to John his son, Margaret his daughter, and Henry his bastard son. Mariona his wife appointed guardian of the aforesaid John and Margaret, and if she marry again both she and her husband are to give security at the Guildhall for due performance of that office. Also to his said wife he leaves all his ustilments, jewels, and house store for hall, chamber, pantry, and kitchen, and one moiety of the residue of his goods by way of dower and for her portion of his goods, the other moiety being devoted to pious uses. Further bequests to the church of S. Mary Magdalen de Milkstrete and ministers therein, the old work of S. Paul's, various religious orders and recluses; to the box of the Fraternity of S. John founded and maintained by the Tailors of London, the poor in the hospitals, the lepers around London, prisoners in Neugate and Marchalsea, and also at Storteford; the work of the new chapel of S. Mary near Westsmythfeld, his servants, and others. Provision made for four thousand masses, for keeping his month's mind, and for the maintenance of a chantry priest in the church of S. Mary Magdalen aforesaid. To John his son he leaves the reversion of his capital and larger mansion house in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen in Milkstrete in tail; remainder to Margaret his daughter, to whom he similarly leaves his smaller mansion. In the event of both children dying without heirs of their bodies, the said mansions are to be sold for pious and charitable uses.

Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves his leasehold estates at Camberwell and Shaldford, together with courts and franchises at the former place demised to him by the Earl of Stafford. Dated London, Friday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July], A.D. 1370.—Also to Richard Wakfeld, Richard Acres, Thomas Gerkyne, and others he leaves various cloaks and pieces of armour, comprising a *hanbergeoun*,<sup>1</sup> a *basinet*, a pair of gloves of plate, a large *basinet* with *ventall*,<sup>2</sup> a pair of *panns*<sup>3</sup> and *braaz*.<sup>4</sup>

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*Monday the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Cavendissh** (STEPHEN DE), Alderman. —To be buried in the choir of S. Thomas de Acon, near the Conduit of London. To Friar Roger his son, of the order of Friars Minors, he leaves an annuity of forty shillings, charged on a certain tenement in the parish of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate; remainder to Cristina his daughter, a nun at Chesthunte. To the Master and Brethren of the house of S. Thomas the Martyr de Acon, near the Conduit, he leaves an annual quitrent in the parish of S. Mildred de Bredstrete, on condition that they provide a certain number of tapers at his obit, and sing a *Placebo* and *Dirige*, &c., upon his anniversary for the good of his soul, the souls of Thomas his father and others. Bequest of rents in parish of S. Mary le Bow in augmentation of chantry founded by his father in the church of S. Mary de Colcherche. To Roger Pyek, son of his younger brother John Pyek, he leaves certain rents in the parish of S. Martin Orgar in tail; remainder to Thomas Pyek, son of his elder brother John Pyek, in tail; remainder to Richard, son of Richard de Cavendissh. To Matilda his wife all his rents and tenements in the City of London and suburbs not otherwise disposed of, so long as she remain a widow, with remainder to his infant *en ventre sa mère*, if any there be. Dated London, Wednesday, 13 July, A.D. 1372.

Roll 100 (117).

**Thorp** (ROBERT DE), Knt. —All his movable goods to be ex-

<sup>1</sup> A coat of leather or mail.

<sup>2</sup> Calendar, Part I. p. 484, note 2.

<sup>3</sup> *Pances* or *panzars*=gambesons, armour protecting the belly. (Fr. *panse*.)

<sup>4</sup> Probably braces, vambrace and

rerebrace, or armour plates for the front and back of the arm.

<sup>5</sup> Of what ward uncertain. Sheriff, 1357; Mayor, 1362; M.P. for the City, 1360.

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pended for the good of his soul, and his rents, tenements, reversions, and services within the City of London to be sold for the like purpose. Dated 29 June, A.D. 1372. Roll 100 (120).

**Berewyk** (ROBERT), clerk.—To be buried in the church of the Hospital of S. Mary without Bisshopesgate. Bequests to the said church and canons of the hospital, whether priest or otherwise, as well as to the canons of the Hospital of S. Mary de Elsyngspittel. To Johanna his wife he leaves certain tenements acquired under the will of Robert White,<sup>1</sup> fishmonger, in the parish of S. Andrew Huberd near Estchep, and also the reversion of a tenement in Rethereslane in the parish of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate, and certain rents acquired from the Prior and Convent of Latton in co. Essex. His said wife to hold the same so long as she remain unmarried; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds to be divided among his children. Dated London, Thursday the Feast of Exaltation of H. Cross [14 Sept.], A.D. 1368.

Roll 100 (122).

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Alright** (HUGH), "chaloner."<sup>2</sup>—To be buried in the church of All Hallows de Stanyng. Bequests to the said church for repair of vestments, books, and other ornaments, &c.; also to the Fraternity of S. Mary in the church of S. Benedict de Grescherche, and divers religious orders. Bequest for purchase of woollen cloth, white and russet, for covering his corpse at his funeral, the same to be afterwards distributed to the poor. Bequests of money, clothes, &c., to Peter his brother, Richard, son of the same, Avice his sister, Henry Stoute, "Degher"<sup>3</sup> of Watford, his servants, and others. To Katherine his wife he leaves shops in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid for life; the reversion of the same to be sold immediately after his own decease, and the proceeds devoted to payment of debts and fulfilment of his last will. Dated London, 18 February, A.D. 1371.

Roll 100 (127).

<sup>1</sup> His will is stated to have been enrolled in the Husting on Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.], 34 Edward III. [A.D. 1360-1]. The roll for that year is, however, missing from the series.

<sup>2</sup> Maker of chalons or shalloons, so called from being made originally at Châlons sur Marne, in France; a thick material used for blankets or coverlets.

<sup>3</sup> Dyer.

**Hore** (THOMAS), fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Christopher near *le Stokkes*, London. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; to John, Thomas, and Gido his sons, Juliana his sister, John Longe, his servants, apprentices, and others; also to the work of S. Paul's, to the lazars *atte Loke*, and in the hospitals towards Hakeneye and Tiborne.<sup>1</sup> The residue of his goods, after payment of debts, he leaves to Agnes his wife, and also the custody of his aforesaid sons. Dated London, 5 June, A.D. 1370. Roll 100 (130).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Clement, Pope [23 Nov.].*

**Shaftysbury** (JOHN), "Felmongere."—To be buried in the chancel of S. John upon Walbrok. Bequests to the said church, its rector, ministers, &c. Bequests also of money, mazer cups, and other chattels to Alice his mother, Sir William his brother, Sir William Lelman his uncle, Petronilla his sister, John Monk, skinner, and others; as well as to the fabric of the churches of All Hallows and S. John at Shaftysbury.<sup>2</sup> To Agnes his wife he leaves all his tenements in the parish of S. John upon Walbrok for life; remainder to John his son in tail. To Collecta his daughter the reversion of a certain shop in tail; remainder to her sisters (not named). Dated London, Friday, 4 January, A.D. 1369.

Roll 100 (140).

**Hynelond** (WILLIAM), clerk.—Bequest of a pair of vestments with a cope, a pair of corporals with case of striped cloth to match the vestments for service at the high altar on feast days wheresoever he may be buried; also a new missal, a chalice, two towels, and a frontal. Further bequests for the maintenance of the light of S. Mary in his church of S. Olave near the Tower, and of the light of *Wolwyrcchers* in the same; to various orders of friars, the brethren and sisters of the hospitals of S. Thomas de Southwerk, Elsingspitele, S. Mary without Bisshopesgate, S. Giles without Holborne, and others; to prisoners in the King's prisons, viz., in Neugate, in the Marshelsea at Westminster, Hertford, Royston, Colchester, Canterbury, Rochester, Sarum, Ilchester in co. Somerset, the prisons of Dorset and Exeter, as well as in

<sup>1</sup> Tyburn; meaning the Hospital of S. Giles in the Fields.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Dorset.

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the bishops' prisons, viz., at Storteford, Canterbury, Rochester, Westminster, Sarum, Wells, and Oxford. Also to the work and choir of S. Paul's, the work of London Bridge, the Prior and Canons of H. Trinity, the Abbot *de la Tourhill*, &c. Directions for supply of torches and wax tapers with herces<sup>1</sup> (*cum braunchis*) and mortars,<sup>2</sup> &c., at his funeral and obit. Also for the use of the perpetual chaplains in S. Paul's Church he leaves a *dorser* and *banker* to match, powdered with birds and roses, and the sum of five shillings for their pittance. Further bequests, among others, to Hawisia his sister, William Pybaker his cousin (*consobrinus*), John Stacy his godson, the Fraternity of S. Katherine in the aforesaid church of H. Trinity, the box of the Fraternity of Tailors of London, and the work of the church of Braughyng.<sup>3</sup> Certain tenements in the parish of S. Olave aforesaid he leaves in trust for keeping his obit in the church where he may happen to be buried. Dated London, Saturday the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.], A.D. 1371. Roll 100 (141).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

**Ellerton** (JOHN DE), the King's Sergeant-at-Arms. — His best horse to precede his corpse at his funeral by way of principal.<sup>4</sup> Provision made for torches and for one thousand masses for the good of his soul, the souls of Robert Ellerton and others. Bequests to the church of Stepulmordon<sup>5</sup> towards expenses of pavement and stalls in the chancel; also to the church of Braddefeld for covering it with new straw; to various orders of friars at Cambridge, and the convents of Rouspere<sup>6</sup> and Chesthunt; also for repair of the highway leading from the church of Stepulmordon to the manor of Sir Edmund Cheyni; to Margery his wife and Agnes his sister; Margery, daughter of John Disford his brother; Sir Roger, the rector of the church of Bassyngbourne;<sup>7</sup> Sir William Belle, the rector of the church of S. Mary Stuvekey,<sup>8</sup> and many others. His tenement in Fanchirchestrade to be sold for pious uses. The residue of his goods he leaves to his aforesaid

<sup>1</sup> An iron framework for fixing tapers on, so called from its resemblance to a barrow.

<sup>2</sup> Low basins for burning tapers in at matins at the choir door, and also at funerals, whence probably their name.

<sup>3</sup> Co. Herts.

<sup>4</sup> See Part I. pp. 489 n., 611 n.

<sup>5</sup> Co. Cambridge.

<sup>6</sup> Ruspier or Rupperar, co. Sussex.

<sup>7</sup> Co. Cambridge.

<sup>8</sup> Stiffkey, co. Norfolk.



wife in trust for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, Sunday the Feast of the Assumption of B.V. Mary [15 Aug.],  
A.D. 1372. Roll 100 (168). A.D.  
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*Monday next after Feast of SS. Fabian and Sebastian [20 Jan.].*

**Herreth** (WILLIAM), cordwainer.—To be buried in the church of S. Stephen in Colmanstret. Bequests to the said church for lights, &c.; also to the Fraternity of S. Stephen, divers religious orders, and the Fraternity of S. Mary founded for (by ?) cordwainers in the church of the Carmelites.<sup>1</sup> To Juliana his wife he leaves houses and shops in the parish of S. Stephen aforesaid in fee. Further bequests of money or chattels to Johanna his sister and Matilda her daughter, John Pottenhith, William Tebaud, and others. Dated London, 6 January, 46 Edward III. [A.D. 1372-3].  
Roll 100 (172).

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*Monday the Feast of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Mokkyngge** (THOMAS), fishmonger.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "Pardoncherchehawe." To Alice his wife and Thomas his son he leaves tenements in Bruggestrete in the parish of S. Magnus the Martyr near London Bridge, and other tenements in the parish of S. Mary atte Nax, in Berchereslane, parish of S. Michael upon Cornhull, in the lane called "Puddynglane," otherwise "Retherlane," near Estchepe, and in Bercherlane, for their lives, with cross remainders; ultimate remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, 1 February, A.D. 1372.

Roll 101 (23).

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**Atte Legh** (THOMAS), "stokfissmongere."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Michael de Crokedlane. Bequests to the said church for tapers, &c., and provision made for three thousand masses, keeping his month's mind, chantries, and funeral expenses. A cloth of russet of the value of five or six marks to be bought and placed over his coffin, and after burial the same to

<sup>1</sup> Or White Friars.

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be given to the poor. Bequests also to the old fabric of the greater church (*maioris ecclesie*) of S. Paul, the church and brethren of S. Katherine near the Tower, the work of London Bridge, the work of the church of Bethelhem without Bisshopesgate, and others; also to Henry his brother, Johanna his sister and Alice her daughter; William and Richard, sons of Laurence de Wigh; John, son of John atte Leght de Hedeleghe; Alice, wife of Thomas atte Holilond, co. Surrey, and many others. To every porter serving his craft in Stokfissmongerrowe in Tamystrete he leaves twelve pence. For repair of the highway near Eggeswere<sup>1</sup> ten pounds. To the work of the bridge of Rochester, co. Kent, forty shillings. To the Convent and College of Assherugge<sup>2</sup> in Chilterne, near Berkhamstede, 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*; and to the Abbot of Abyndon near Oxenford two cups of silver with covercles called "Bykeres." To Edelena his wife a certain tenement in Thames Street, in the parishes of S. Michael de Crokedelane and S. Magnus near London Bridge, for life; remainder to William, son of John Mykkelham, of co. Surrey, to hold to him and one single heir (*unico soli heredi*) of his body; remainder over in trust for charitable uses. Certain rents in Wolseselane and of a tenement called "le horn on the hope" in the parish of All Hallows the Great, and of others in the parish of S. Augustine near *le Eldechaunge* and elsewhere, to be devoted to the maintenance of a chantry priest in the church of S. Michael aforesaid. Dated London, 31 March, A.D. 1373.—Memorandum to restore the value of forty pence to two men who killed their godfather (*compatrem*).<sup>3</sup> Bequests to servants and others.

Roll 101 (98).

*Monday the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

Pikerell (AGNES, late wife of WILLIAM, saddler).—To be buried in the tomb of her late husband in the church of S. Vedast. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, and Fraternity of the H. Cross therein; also to the Fraternity of S. Katherine in the church of S. Matthew in Fridaystret, and the Fraternity of S. John of the Tailors of London; to divers religious orders in London for

<sup>1</sup> Edgware.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Bucks. A fraternity of *Bon-hommes*. (See Chauncy's 'Histor. Ant. of Herts,' pp. 551-553.)

<sup>3</sup> A curious memorandum to find at the end of a will, and one difficult to explain.

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masses, the church of S. Thomas de Acon near the Conduit, prisoners in Neugate, the work of S. Paul's, the chapel of Bedelem near Bisshopesgate, the sisters of Herberdone, anchorites of London, &c. Bequests also to Peter Brauncestre her brother and William his son, William Galweye her godson, John Forster her kinsman, her servants, and others. To Robert her son she leaves her saddlery (*sellariam meam*), except ladies' saddles, and all her household goods and chattels. Her ladies' saddles, *brouded* and *unbrouded*, are to be sold to fulfil her last will. A cloth of *sarzinet*<sup>1</sup> which she has in her house, and another to match which she directs her executors to buy, are to be embroidered with the letters "W" and "A" and used for covering the holy sepulchre at Easter; and she further leaves a *coverlit smalcheker*<sup>2</sup> and her best sheet of cloth of Reynes<sup>3</sup> for the like purpose. Also to her aforesaid son a tenement in the parish of S. Vedast in Goderounlane, extending from Westchepe to a tenement called "le Longeporche," to hold in tail, charged with the maintenance of certain tapers for the Easter sepulchre in the church of S. Vedast aforesaid; and her share of a tenement in Westchepe in the Saddlery,<sup>4</sup> London. Provision made for maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Vedast, for one year after her decease, for the good of her soul, the souls of William Pikerell, William Chaumpneyne, and others; the welfare of Sir Edward, King of England, and of Philippa the Queen, &c. Dated London, 9 April, A.D. 1373. Roll 101 (102).

*Monday next after Feast of Trans. of S. Edward, King [13 Oct.].*

**Hattefeld** (SIMON DE), potter.—To be buried in front of the altar of S. John the Baptist in the church of H. Trinity, London. To the Prior and Convent of H. Trinity aforesaid he leaves a certain tenement in the parish of S. Katherine in the churchyard of H. Trinity, to the use of the sacristan for repair and maintenance of the church aforesaid, in return for the celebration of his

<sup>1</sup> A thin slight kind of silk.

<sup>2</sup> Small chequered.

<sup>3</sup> Riley ('Lib. Alb.' Glossary) inclines to think that Rennes in Brittany is referred to rather than Rheims in the Department of Marne, the former place having been celebrated in the Middle Ages, and still is, for the manufacture of fine linen. He mentions "Sherts of

Reyns" and "Rayns" as occurring in the Wardrobe Accounts of 1483; and again "Schets of Reynes," "Canapes of Reynes," and "pillow-beres (cases) of Reynes," in the 'Ceremonies and Services at Court, temp. Henry VII.'

<sup>4</sup> The Saddlers occupied a portion of Cheapside near S. Vedast or Foster Lane.

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obit for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his wife and others, in manner as directed; also divers rents in the parish of S. Botolph without Aldrichgate and elsewhere. Bequests to the fabric of S. Paul's Church, and to each canon of the house of S. Bartholomew de Smethefeld. Dated London, Tuesday next after the Feast of S. Lucia [13 Dec.], A.D. 1372.

Roll 101 (120).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Gilbert** (MARGERIE, late wife of JOHN).—To be buried in the church of S. Brigid in Fletestrete. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein. Her tenement at Fletebrigge to remain in the hands of her executors until her debts and the debts of Thurstan her former husband have been discharged out of the profits thereof; remainder to Cristina her daughter. To the executors of Johanna Wygayn she leaves eight marks, charged on another tenement at Fletebrigge. To William de Bathe a shop for life; the same to be sold after his decease, and the proceeds devoted to pious uses for the souls of John de Wygayn, Johanna his wife, Thurstan her aforesaid husband, and others. Dated London, Wednesday next after the Feast of Decollation of S. John Baptist [29 Aug.], 47 Edward III. [A.D. 1373].

Roll 101 (133).

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## ANNO 48 EDWARD III.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

**Drayton** (JOHN), of the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate.—To be buried in the churchyard of the said parish. His brewery in Goldynglane to be sold by the vicar and certain parishioners of S. Giles aforesaid, after the decease of Margaret his wife, and the proceeds devoted to the good of his soul. To William Mayheu, "grosser," he leaves a tenement in the same lane on condition that the said William discharge his debts up to the full value of the said tenement. Dated London, Saturday, 31 December, A.D. 1373.

And be it remembered that the aforesaid John Drayton was admitted to the freedom of the City of London and sworn when John

Peeche was Mayor and John Cantebrigge was Chamberlain, and is entered in the Red Book of Redemptions of Freedoms and Apprentices, viz., 8 May, 36 Edward III. [A.D. 1362]. A.D.  
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Roll 102 (9).

**Poyntel (GILBERT)**, "curreour."—To be buried in the church of S. Alphege within Crepulgate, in the processional path<sup>1</sup> (*in viâ processionis*). Bequests to the said church, to various religious orders, lepers, inmates of hospitals and Newegate, the sisters of the Hospital of Elsingspitel within Crepulgate, and the Fraternity of the Resurrection of Christ in S. Paul's Church; also to Johanna atte Well his kinswoman, Agnes, daughter of William de Potenhams, and others. To Alice his wife he leaves all his lands, rents, and tenements in the parish of S. Alphege aforesaid for life; remainder to the aforesaid William de Potenhams and Cristina, wife of the same, the testator's daughter, in tail, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Alphege for one year after his decease; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, 26 April, A.D. 1372. Roll 102 (10).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Rameseye (ROBERT DE)**, fishmonger.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Magnus at London Bridge. Bequests to the said church and to divers orders of friars in London, also for tapers and torches to be placed in several churches in London, and in the churches of Bottesbury<sup>2</sup> and Mounteneyng<sup>3</sup> in co. Essex. One hundred ells of white cloth of Gyldeford to be distributed among the poor on the day of his funeral. Bequests to his Fraternity of *Salve* in the church of S. Magnus aforesaid. To Elizabeth his wife he leaves all his lands and tenements within the City of London so long as she remain a widow, for the maintenance of Thomas, John, and William his sons, and Elizabeth his daughter. If she marry again he leaves to his aforesaid sons divers tenements in Bridge Street and in the lane formerly called

<sup>1</sup> A space behind the choir. At Canterbury, says the late Prebendary Mackenzie Walcott, pilgrims to the martyrdom passed up the south aisle of the nave, and through the passage under the platform of the crossing ('Sacred Archaeology,' s.v.).

<sup>2</sup> Butsbury.

<sup>3</sup> Mountneys-ing, commonly called Mountnessing. Also known as Ginge-Mounteneye. For the meaning of *Ing* or *Ginge* see note to "Ging-joiberd-laundry," *supra*, p. 55 n. It also occurs as a suffix in Margaretting or "Margaret 3ynge." (See Calendar, Part I. p. 516.)

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"Steveneslane," but now called "Churchehawlane," and elsewhere in the parish of S. Magnus aforesaid. To Elizabeth his daughter he leaves twenty shillings for her marriage and for putting her to a trade. Dated at Crokedlane, London, Friday next after Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.], A.D. 1373. Roll 102 (11).

*Monday next before F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Bachiler** (WALTER), draper.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of All Hallows de Bredstret. To Margery his wife he leaves one half of his movable goods and his (*sic*) entire chamber with appurtenances. The other half of his goods he disposes of by various bequests to Sir John de Clifton, rector of the church of All Hallows aforesaid, and other ministers therein, the vicar of the parish church of Wycombe, and others. To Simon his son, a friar in the house of the H. Cross<sup>1</sup> near the Tower, he leaves a piece of silver, four silver spoons, a red coverlet with white border and powdered with white circles of roses, and his second best mazer. To John, son of Richard de Knowslee, William, son of William atte Dene, Johanna his daughter and Robert de Lewkenore her husband, and many others, he makes similar bequests of money, cloth, or plate. Bequests also to divers orders of friars, and to the Warden of the Friars Minors he leaves six shillings and eightpence for a trental of S. Gregory<sup>2</sup> for the good of his soul; also to the inmates of Newgate, the anchorites of S. Giles without Holbourn and the hospital of the same, the alms box of the Fraternity of Tailors of London, &c. To Margery his wife he also leaves all his lands, tenements, and rents in Watlyngstrete in the parish of All Hallows de Bredestrete for life; remainder to the Prior and monks of the Carthusian Order<sup>3</sup> of the house of S. Mary near Westsmythefeld in pure and perpetual alms. Dated London, Tuesday the Feast of the Chair of S. Paul<sup>4</sup> (*sic*), A.D. 1372. Roll 102 (21).

**Cayton** (ROBERT DE).—To Richard his brother he leaves the reversion of all his tenements in the parish of S. Margaret de

<sup>1</sup> Crossed or Crutched Friars, whose house was in Hart Street.

<sup>2</sup> See note *supra*, p. 137.

<sup>3</sup> The Charterhouse.

<sup>4</sup> A mistake for the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedra [22 Feb.].

Lothebury in tail, after the decease of Reyna his wife, charged with the payment of an annuity to John his brother and to the rector of the church of S. Margaret aforesaid and ministers thereof. To John Doget de Boterwyk tenements within Neugate, on condition that the said John releases to Reyna his aforesaid wife all claim to the manor of Duket in co. Middlesex. Written in London with his own hand, 16 July, 35 Edward III. [A.D. 1361].  
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**Haveryngg** or **Haveringg** (GEOFFREY).—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Giles without Crepulgate. Bequests to the church of S. Giles aforesaid, for tithes forgotten, and the light of the great beam of the Fraternity of S. Mary and S. Giles in the same. The residue of his goods he leaves to Katherine his wife for her maintenance and the maintenance of Stephen their son, and for pious uses; also to his wife a tenement in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid for life, with remainder to his said son. Dated London, 24 February, A.D. 1373.  
Roll 102 (39).

**Burstalle** (JOHN), vintner.—To be buried before the high altar in the chancel of the church of S. Mary Wolnoth in Lombard-strete. Bequests to the said church, the fraternity of the same, the fraternities of the Blessed Mary of Bedlehem and of H. Trinity near the Tower, and the five orders of friars in London. To Cecillia his wife his tenement in the parish of S. Mary Wolnoth aforesaid for life; remainder to Johanna his daughter for life, the said tenement being charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said parish church during the lifetime of his said wife and daughter, and after the death of the latter the same to be sold for a similar use. Dated London, Palm Sunday, viz., 21 March, A.D. 1371.  
Roll 102 (43).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Abp. [19 May].*

**Cavendissh** (ROGER), skinner.—To be buried in the parish church of S. Mary de Cavendissh in co. Suffolk. Bequests to the said church, the church of S. Mary de Wolchirchehawe and ministers thereof, and to the Friars Minors of London for celebrating

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five trentals of S. Gregory. Bequests also of money and household goods and chattels to Leticia his wife, John his son, and Agnes his daughter, to the last of whom he moreover leaves three shops in the parish of S. Mary Wolchirchehawe in tail, with remainder to Leticia his aforesaid wife for life, and further remainder for pious uses. His wife appointed guardian of his children during minority, she finding surety for the same at the Guildhall according to the custom. Also to his said wife he leaves the residue of his lands and tenements within the City of London for life; remainder as to one moiety to his aforesaid daughter, and as to the other, to pious and charitable uses. Dated at his hostel, 9 March, A.D. 1373.

Roll 102 (45).

**Russell (RICHARD)**, "paternosterer."—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard. Bequests to the old and new work of the said church of S. Paul and the tomb of S. Erkenwald therein, the rector, ministers, lights, &c., of the parish church of S. Michael le Quern, the fabric of the churches of Oxeborgh and the Abbey of Walden, and to Isolda and Basilia, his two sisters residing at Oxeborgh aforesaid. The residue of his goods, after payment of funeral expenses, bequests, &c., to be divided into three equal parts, whereof one is to be given to Richard his son, another to Lucy his daughter, and the third to be disposed of by his executors for the good of his soul. Also to his said son and daughter he leaves his tenement in Paternostererowe in successive tail; remainder to pious uses. A certain rent in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen in Oldefysshstrete to be devoted to keeping one obit for the souls of Robert Russel, Margery, wife of the same, and others in the church of S. Michael aforesaid. Dated London, Friday next before the Feast of S. George the Martyr [23 April], A.D. 1374.

Roll 102 (52).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Galeys (JOHN)**, servant of John Pecche.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Mary at Smythfeld. Bequests to the chapel of S. Mary aforesaid and ministers therein, also to the rector of the church of S. Mary Wolnoth in Lombardstret. A certain tenement in the parish of S. Andrew Huberd near Estchep to be



sold, and twenty marks of the proceeds to be given to his aforesaid master as compensation for peculations committed by him in his master's shop over against *le Catfithelle*.<sup>1</sup> A shop in Cordwanerstrete left to him by William Galeys his father to be also sold for pious uses. Bequests of money or chattels to John Norhtwyche, William Pecche, John de Bolford, and others. Dated London, 15 October, A.D. 1358. Roll 102 (55).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Thame** (ROBERT DE).—To be buried in the church of S. Michael Queenhithe near Margaret his former wife. To Rosa his wife he leaves one hundred marks of silver and all his movable goods, except a piece of silver and an enamelled mazer cup, which he leaves to William his son; also his dwelling at Queenhithe for life. Bequests to the fabric of the church of S. Michael aforesaid, the prisoners in Neugate, the lazars *atte Nook* (*sic*), the old work of S. Paul's, for the repair of the road called "Trilmullestrete,"<sup>2</sup> between Clerkenwell and Smythfeld, &c. Provision made for chantries in the aforesaid church and elsewhere for the space of nineteen years, and for three thousand masses to be celebrated as soon as possible after his decease. Bequests also to Johanna his daughter by Rosa his wife, and Juliana his daughter, a nun at Elenstowe<sup>3</sup> in co. Beds. To Henry le Weer, fishmonger, he leaves his term in a certain tenement *atte Romelond*<sup>4</sup> at Queenhithe. Mention made of Juliana, wife of William his son. Dated IX. Kal. March [21 Feb.], A.D. 1373. Roll 102 (70).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Horwod** (JOHN DE), senior.—Bequests to the rector and clerk of the church of S. Peter de Bradstret. To Margaret his wife his shops in Bredstret in the parish of S. Nicholas Olof for life; remainder to John his son in tail; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds to be devoted to finding poor scholars at school, and for marriage portions for poor girls. His tenement in Corde-

<sup>1</sup> Cat and fiddle.

<sup>2</sup> Called after "Trill mill" or "Turn mill" brook, concerning which see Part I. p. 671 n.

<sup>3</sup> Elstow, Elnstowe, or Alnestowe,

where there was an abbey of Benedictine nuns, founded *temp.* William I. (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.', p. 1).

<sup>4</sup> Part I. p. 222 n.

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wanerstrete in the parish of S. Thomas the Apostle to be also sold, and sixty pounds of the proceeds to be devoted to repairing a road called "le Oldestrete," leading from the new churchyard without Aldrichgate to Isildon.<sup>1</sup> The residue to be divided into three parts. Of one part he leaves certain sums to the inmates of various hospitals, the lepers at Hakeneye and "Seintgilespitel," divers orders of friars, &c. His executors to cause seven trentals of masses or more to be said for his soul. The second part he leaves to his wife, and the third to John his son. His wife also to enjoy his leasehold interest in a field at Strode. Dated London, 23 February, A.D. 1373. Roll 102 (92).

**Balsham (MATILDA).**—To be buried in Pardon churchyard (*in cimiterio indulgencie*) of S. Paul's. To the brethren and sisters of the house of Bedleem she leaves her garden situate within the cloister of the said house, in aid of the fabric of its church. Her tenement in the parish of S. Ethelburga within Bisshopesgate to be sold for pious uses. Bequests also to each of her godchildren, to the Fraternity of the Light of H. Cross in the church of S. Laurence in the Jewry, to the Fraternity of S. Giles without Crepulgate, to the fabric of a *porche* over the entrance to the church of S. Ethelburga aforesaid, and for the maintenance of the rood light in the church called "Seynt Iweyne,"<sup>2</sup> before the crucifix; also to the rector of the said church, John, son of Richard Sherman, and others. Dated London, 20 February, A.D. 1373. Roll 102 (93).

**Weston (JOHN DE),** called "de St. Ives," brewer, of Colmanstrete. —To be buried in S. Mary's Chapel in the church of S. Stephen de Colmanstrete. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, comprising a silver girdle in aid of the thurible called "sensere" therein; also to divers orders of friars so that each order say two trentals of masses for the good of his soul, the souls of William his father, Matilda his mother, Katherine, "Joseana," and Deonisia his late wives, and others; to every lazar house and every anchorite in London; also for the maintenance

<sup>1</sup> Islington.

<sup>2</sup> S. Ewin or Owen near the Shambles. | The parish became incorporated with that of Christchurch temp. Henry VIII.

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of lights of the Fraternity of S. Stephen de Colmanstrete and the Fraternity of S. Giles without Crepulgate, repair of belfries of the churches of S. Ethelburga within Bishopsgate and S. Margaret de Lotheburi, &c. For a pilgrim to go to Santiago (*ad Sanctum Jacobum*) in Gallicia on his behalf he leaves his best silver girdle and forty shillings. To John, son of Margaret his wife, Clemence and Agnes, daughters of the same, his servants, and others he leaves sums of money. To Henry Craft a new *goun*e and a new robe of *mottelee*.<sup>1</sup> Acquits William atte Thole lodere (*sic*) of a debt, and leaves to a man called "Va donn lodere" a coat and hood. Geoffrey le Taverner at *le bole* in Chepe is to receive in ale from his aforesaid wife forty shillings, to which extent the testator had formerly defrauded him. To Sir William Scryveyn, Vicar of S. Peter's Church in the vill of St. Alban, twenty shillings. To his aforesaid wife he leaves all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Stephen aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, Saturday next after the Feast of Translation of S. Thomas the Martyr, viz., 9 July, A.D. 1373.—Also to Margaret, daughter of the said Joseana, six shillings and eightpence. To the hermit at Hakeneye twelve pence.

Roll 102 (94).

**Kendale** (LETICIA, late wife of WILLIAM DE).—To be buried near her late husband in the church of H. Trinity, London. Bequests to the prior and canons of the said church. To every poor person present at her distribution (*ad participacionem meam*) she leaves a silver halfpenny. Bequests of money, jewellery, or other chattels to Agnes, daughter of the aforesaid William Kendale, Eustace, son of William Wicher, and Matilda, daughter of the said William, William and Agnes, children of William Aleyn, Johanna, wife of the same, her apprentices, and others. To Richard atte Seler, William Aleyn, and John Hanekyn, senior, she leaves a new saddle (? *cellam*) with all its apparel respectively. All her lands and tenements within the City of London to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to the maintenance of chantry priests in the church of H. Trinity aforesaid. Dated London, 9 May, A.D. 1374.

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<sup>1</sup> *Motley*, cloth of different colours, spotted.

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**Bristowe (SIMON)**, clerk, son of William de Bristowe, late cordwainer.—His tenements in the parishes of S. Mary de Aldermanbury, S. Mary le Bow, and S. Sepulchre without Neugate to be sold, and out of the proceeds he leaves divers specific sums to the altar, the box before the cross, and the boxes of S. Katherine and S. Blase in the church of Lesnes, co. Kent; to the house of the Carthusian monks; to Margery, wife of Benedict Walkelyn, Johanna Colwell, and others. To the church of S. Mary de Aldermanbury he leaves his portifory with music lying in quires (*prout jacet in quaternis*<sup>1</sup>), and desires his executors to have it bound and repaired. Dated London, Friday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas [11 June], A.D. 1374. Roll 102 (98).

*Monday next after F. of Translation of S. Edward, King [13 Oct.].*

**Sharnebroke (THOMAS)**.—To be buried in the church of S. James near Garlekheth. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein. His tenement in the parish of S. James aforesaid to be sold by Isabella his wife for pious uses. Dated Saturday the Feast of S. Edmund the Martyr [20 Nov.], A.D. 1372.

Roll 102 (145).

**Siende (EDWARD)**, smith, of Holbourn.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Sepulchre without Neugate. Bequests to the church of the same and ministers therein, and also to the old work of S. Paul's. To Roger his apprentice he leaves "*illam petram et la Glacer cum toto apparatu pendent propinquius lincoln*,"<sup>2</sup> and a bed. To Cristina his daughter a bed, viz., *coverlit* and tester of *blew*. To John his son-in-law (*filio meo in lege*) a *Jacke*<sup>3</sup> of *morre* furred with *foynes*.<sup>4</sup> Also to Cristina his daughter he leaves all his tenements in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. The residue of his goods he leaves to his wife, to whom he also

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 136.

<sup>2</sup> Lincoln's Inn (?). The nature of this bequest is not easy of explanation. It probably refers to implements belonging to the testator's craft. The word *glacyn* signifies to make a thing bright, to furbish. Sir John Paston gives the following direction: "As for my byll that is gilt, I wolde it were

taken head to; there is von in the town can *glaser* weel, I knowe." Cf. "*I glase a knyfe to make it bright*" (Palsgrave).

<sup>3</sup> An article of defensive armour usually stuffed with cotton, occasionally formed of mail. (See *Archæologia*, xix. 224.)

<sup>4</sup> The skin of the marten.

leaves his leasehold interest in his forge. Dated London, in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, 26 September, A.D. 1374.

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**Potman** (JOHN), fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Magnus near London Bridge. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, also to the work of London Bridge and to the priest in the chapel upon the same. To Juliana his wife his tenement upon Fichwharf in the parish of S. Magnus aforesaid for life; remainder to Guydo and Henry his sons in tail; remainder to the wardens of the Fraternity of *Salve Regina* in the aforesaid church. The residue of his goods to be divided equally among his said wife and sons. Dated the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.], A.D. 1373.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop [11 Nov.].*

**Glaston** (EUSTACE DE).—To be buried in the chancel of S. Olave's near the Tower, near the tomb of Margery his late wife. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, and for the maintenance of divers lights therein; also to Alice and Matilda his daughters, and James and John his sons. Richard de Norton and Katherine, wife of the said Richard, appointed guardians of the aforesaid Alice; Margaret his wife appointed guardian of the aforesaid James and Matilda, and John de Glaston appointed guardian of the aforesaid John, until they come to full age or marry, the said guardians finding surety before the Mayor for the time being at the Guildhall. His wife to have her dower out of the residue of his goods after payment of debts. Dated London, 26 April, A.D. 1374.

Roll 102 (164).

**Engulton** (WILLIAM DE), Rector of the church of Sonderish<sup>1</sup> in the diocese of Canterbury.—To be buried either in the chancel of the said church or according as the Master of the College of S. Laurence de Polteneye may arrange. Bequests to the aforesaid church and Master of the College, to Master Robert Brastyngton, and others. All his tenements and rents in London to be

<sup>1</sup> Sundridge, co. Kent.

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sold for pious uses. Dated London, the Vigil of All Saints [1 Nov.], A.D. 1374.

Whereupon John Asshewell, the King's Attorney, put his claim on behalf of the lord the King.

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**Andreu (JAMES)**, draper.—Provision made for the maintenance of a perpetual chantry in the church of All Hallows upon the Cellar out of rents of tenements in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, formerly belonging to Richard his father, Matilda his mother, and others. Bequest to the Master of the College of Corpus Christi in the church of S. Laurence near Candelwykstrete, so that the master, chaplains, and clerks of the same observe his obit as directed. To Katherine his daughter he leaves all the aforesaid tenements, subject to above charges, for life; remainder in trust for the church of All Hallows aforesaid; also his tenements in the parishes of S. Olave and S. Laurence in the Old Jewry for life; remainder to the Prior and Canons of S. Bartholomew's in Smythfeld, so that they provide two chaplains to celebrate for the souls of the aforesaid Richard, Matilda, James, Matilda (*sic*), and all the faithful departed. To the Prioress and Nuns of Kelbourne he leaves a tenement at the corner of Cordewanerstrete near Chepe in the parish of S. Mary le Bow, subject to an annuity to Isabella Bandon his kinswoman, a nun in that house. John Vyne, draper, his servant, to enjoy his leasehold tenements, held under the Priory of Dertford, in Cordewanerstrete in the parishes of S. Mary le Bow and S. Mary de Aldermarichirche. Dated London, Wednesday the Vigil of S. Matthew, Apostle [21 Sept.], A.D. 1374.

Roll 102 (171).

*Monday next after the Feast of Conception of V. Mary [8 Dec.].*

**Pere (JOHN)**.—To be buried in the church of S. Dionisius de Bakchirch. To Sir Henry, the rector of the said church, he leaves forty shillings, and to the parishioners of the same an entire vestment of *velewet* for a priest. To Helmyng his son the reversion of a tenement in the parish of S. Dionisius aforesaid, after the decease of Alice his wife, to hold in tail; remainder to Margery and Cristina his daughters in equal portions, and the heirs of their

bodies ; ultimate remainder to pious and charitable uses. Dated  
London, 27 October, A.D. 1374.

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*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

**Tamworthe** or **Thamworthe** (JOHN DE).—To be buried in the church of S. Sepulchre without Neugate. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, and to the rector and other ministers of the church of S. Andrew de Castle Baynard. To William his son and Richard atte Chapele, if surviving, he leaves his *shout* with all its apparel ; and to the former his *batel* called “ Feribot.”<sup>1</sup> Also to the aforesaid William all his timber, and the reversion of all his rents and tenements in Chauncelerslane and Ratonsrowe, of which he was jointly seised with Alice his wife, in tail ; remainder to John his son in tail ; remainder to Agnes his daughter. Also to the aforesaid William he leaves a messuage in the *Baille* in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid ; and to the aforesaid Richard atte Chapele his kinsman his place in the lane called “ Faytourslane.”<sup>2</sup> In testimony whereof he set his seal to this his testament, as well closed as open. Dated London, Tuesday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.], A.D. 1373.

Roll 103 (1).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

**Croydon** (RICHARD DE), fishmonger.—To be buried before the altar of S. Katherine in the church of S. Dionisius de Bakcherch near Grascherch. To Margery his wife a life interest in certain tenements in the parishes of S. Andrew Huberd, S. Mary atte Hull, S. Margaret Patyns, and elsewhere, of which he and his said wife were jointly seised to them and the heirs of the testator ; remainder as to a portion to Agnes his daughter in tail ; remainder to John Phelipot, Alderman,<sup>3</sup> and Margaret [wife of the said John], the testator's daughter, in tail ; remainder to Thomas Colewell his brother. Other tenements not so left to the aforesaid Agnes

<sup>1</sup> Ferry-boat.

<sup>2</sup> Fetter Lane.

<sup>3</sup> Of Cornhill Ward. See biographical note to his will, enrolled *infra*, Roll 118 (30).

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are to remain to the said John Phelipot and Margaret in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, Sunday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.], 49 Edward III. [A.D. 1374-5].

Whereupon John Asshewell, the King's Attorney, put his claim upon the tenements above devised.

Roll 103 (10).

**Devenissh** (THOMAS), "lyndraper."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Mary de Abbechurch. Bequest to the said church for the purchase of a Gradual.<sup>1</sup> Certain shops which he acquired at the decease of Adam his father and Constance his mother in the parish of S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate to be sold for pious uses. Dated London, 7 January, A.D. 1374. Roll 103 (14).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

**Mockyngg** (NICHOLAA, relict of JOHN DE, fishmonger).—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Magnus de Briggestrete near the tomb of her late husband. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. Provision made for funeral expenses, observance of obit, and chantries in the churches of S. Magnus aforesaid, S. George de Estchepe, and the parish church of Totenham for the good of her soul, the souls of her late husband, John her father, Mariota her mother, and others. Bequests of money, jewels, and household goods to Margaret and Idonia her daughters, Thomas and Nicholas her sons, John Mockyngg, son of John her son, John and Thomas her brothers, John Wroth, and others. To the aforesaid church of Totenham she leaves vestments, a chalice and paten, a missal, portifory, and all other ornaments belonging to her chapel. Guardians appointed for her children during minority. Thomas Sterre her brother appointed one of her executors. Dated London, Thursday next after the Feast of Exaltation of H. Cross [14 Sept.], A.D. 1348.

Be it known that the above testament was admitted to probate by assent of the Mayor and Aldermen, although the lay fee was not therein contained in accordance with the last will of the aforesaid John de Mockyngg her late husband, who devised a tenement, by will enrolled above,<sup>2</sup> to be sold by his executors, and appointed the aforesaid Nicholaa his executrix, &c.

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<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 138.

<sup>2</sup> Part I. p. 499.



*Monday next before the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].* A.D.  
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**Kenyngton** (JOHN DE), Rector of the church of S. Dunstan towards the Tower.—To be buried in the chancel of the said church. To the high altar of the same he leaves an osculatory<sup>1</sup> (*deosculatorium*) silver gilt and an Ordinal<sup>2</sup> of the use of Sarum. Six poor men of his parish to be selected by his executors, on their merits and without favour, to hold torches at his funeral, to each of whom he leaves a vest. Further bequests to the aforesaid church for purchase of books and ornaments. To S. Paul's Church he leaves his book called '*Catholicon*,'<sup>3</sup> to be preserved in a case (*incratictetur*) where most convenient, with a notice in large characters upon the same requesting any one reading the book for the purpose of study to devoutly repeat some prayer for the benefit of the souls of John de Kenyngton and John de Brampton, clerks, and their benefactors. And whereas he had entered into a covenant to leave the said book to the college of priests in S. Paul's<sup>4</sup> under penalty of sixty shillings, he desires that the said sum be paid to the college in satisfaction, and that the book be placed in the said church as aforesaid for public use. His executors to give seisin to John Payn de London, "fourbour," of a certain tenement at S. Augustine's Gate upon payment of forty marks. A certain tenement near the church of S. Michael le Quern, and certain lands at Derteford, to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to pious uses or otherwise as his executors may think expedient. A sum of forty pounds secured on lands and tenements formerly belonging to Richard Wydegate de "Bacchild"<sup>5</sup> in co. Kent to be realized, and the said lands and tenements delivered to the right heirs of the aforesaid Richard. Dated London, 22 December, A.D. 1374. Roll 103 (33).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Ambrose [4 April].*

**Frowyk** (THOMAS DE), of co. Middlesex.—To be buried in the churchyard of the parish of Southmymmes near the tomb of John

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<sup>1</sup> *Paxbord* or *paxbred*, a tablet of wood or metal ornamented with some sacred device and used in the service of the Mass.

<sup>2</sup> A book of the ritual.

<sup>3</sup> The Eastern name for the collected general epistles.

<sup>4</sup> The college of the twelve minor canons, incorporated 18 Ric. II. For their charter and statutes see *Archæologia*, xliii. 165-200. Their substance is given by Dr. W. Sparrow Simpson in his recent '*Gleanings from Old St. Paul's*.'

<sup>5</sup> Bacchild near Sittingbourne.

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Durham. Ten ells of Russet cloth to be bought, and a cross of white cloth put thereon, to be placed over his corpse; the same to be distributed among four poor persons immediately after his burial. Provision also made for torches and mortars (*mortarios*), chantries, gifts to the poor, &c. To Henry his father, if surviving, he leaves six oxen, two stallions (*stottos*<sup>1</sup>), all his goats at Oldefeld, and his corn in the field called "Shepecotefeld." To Matilda<sup>2</sup> his wife twenty pounds and several head of cattle at Wyllesdon and at *le Oldfeld*, a plough, and a cart bound with iron, beside household chattels, including a cup called "*tour de chalice*." To Henry his son he leaves, among other things, two of his best horses, all his girdles harnessed with silver, his horns, five goblets of silver with a *ewer*, and six silver spoons enclosed in a leather case. Pecuniary bequests to Agnes his sister, a nun of the house of S. Elena, London, to each nun of Chesthunte and of Sopwell near St. Alban, to the vicars of Southmymmes and Wyllesdon, the rectors of Harengeye<sup>3</sup> and Fyncheslee, the Prior of Elsingspetel, and others; also for the repair of the church of S. Peter at St. Alban, the work of S. Paul's, London, the repair of the highway between Barnette and *le Twocrouches*,<sup>4</sup> &c. Dated at Southmymmes, Monday, 20 November, A.D. 1374.

Roll 103 (49).

**Wolmersty (WILLIAM).**—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Mary atte Hull. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, and for the maintenance of chantries therein for the space of one year after his decease; also to the Abbot and Convent of Waltham Holy Cross for a pittance, &c., to divers orders of friars in London, and to the religious men called "Chartrers,"<sup>5</sup> living at the new churchyard<sup>6</sup> without Aldrichegate. To Robert his son he leaves his best mazer, six silver spoons, and his best psalter covered with red leather. To Thomas his son his best cloak and twenty shillings. To Cristina his wife a tenement with shops in the parish

<sup>1</sup> *Stottus*, Saxon *stod*, *stod-hors*, Fr. *étalon*. It is possible, however, that young oxen or "stots" are meant. The term is familiar north of the Border.

<sup>2</sup> A daughter of the John Durham here mentioned.

<sup>3</sup> Hornsey.

<sup>4</sup> Probably identical with Crouch End. The badness of the high road between

London and Barnet is mentioned by Norden in a passage cited by the Rev. F. C. Cass in his history of the parish of South Mimms (pp. 4, 5). The will of Thomas de Frowyk will also be found printed *in extenso* in the same volume, pp. 75-78.

<sup>5</sup> Inmates of the Charterhouse.

<sup>6</sup> See note *supra*, p. 115.

of S. Mary atte Hull for the term of seven years, after which the said shops are to remain to William and John his sons in tail; remainder to his son Robert aforesaid, to whom he also leaves the reversion of the aforesaid tenement, in tail, with remainder over; ultimate remainder to the Abbot and Convent of Waltham Holy Cross. Dated London, Tuesday the Feast of S. Stephen the Martyr [26 Dec.], A.D. 1374.

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Roll 103 (56).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan [19 May].*

**Fraunceys** (ADAM), mercer.—To be buried in the chapel of the Holy Ghost in the church of S. Elena within Bishhopesgate. Provision made for the erection and perpetual maintenance of two chantries, viz., one chantry of the Blessed Mary and another of the Holy Ghost, in the church of S. Elena aforesaid, for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes his wife and others, the right of presentation to which is to be with the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's in the first instance. Particulars given at great length of the several functions to be performed by each chantry priest and the inmates of the Priory of S. Elena. His lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Martin Oteswych, S. Elena, S. Alburga, S. Peter de Bradestrete, and elsewhere he leaves to the Prioress and Convent of S. Elena, charged with the maintenance of the above chantries as directed, the maintenance of lamps, observance of his obit, &c., the said prioress and each nun of the house binding herself by her corporal oath upon the holy Gospels to carry out the instructions contained in his will. Bequests also for the maintenance of a chantry, to be called "the chantry of Peter Fanelour," in the church of All Hallows de Edelmeton,<sup>1</sup> which the said Peter had lately rebuilt, charged on his tenements in the parishes of S. Martin Pomer, All Hallows the Less upon the Cellar, and elsewhere. To Adam Fraunceys, junior, his son, and Margaret, wife of the same, he leaves the reversion of leasehold property in the parish of S. Laurence, Jewry. To Agnes his wife all his tenements in the parishes of S. Mildred in the Poultry and S. Mary Magdalen in Westchepe for life; remainder to his aforesaid son; ultimate remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds devoted to the celebration of masses, feeding

<sup>1</sup> Edmonton, co. Middlesex.

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the poor, marrying poor girls, repair of bridges and roads, and other charitable uses, under the supervision of the Mayor and Recorder of London for the time being. Dated London, 26 August, A.D. 1374. Roll 103 (79).

**Holbourn** (STEPHEN DE), clerk.—To Nicholas de Holbourn, mercer, all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Andrew de Holbourn for maintaining a chantry in the said parish church, for the space of eight years next after his decease, for the good of his soul, the souls of his father, mother, and others; and in default the same to be sold for pious and charitable uses. To Henry Godchep and Agnes, wife of the same, he leaves certain annual quitrents which he formerly acquired from them, issuing from their lands and tenements within the City of London and suburbs, for similar uses to the above. Dated London, Friday in Easter week [2 April], A.D. 1374. Roll 103 (80).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**St. Alban** (THOMAS DE).—To be buried in the church of All Hallows de Bredestrete. To Alice his wife a tenement in Bredestrete, with a quarter of a cellar thereunder, so long as she remain unmarried; remainder to Margery his daughter in tail; remainder in trust to be disposed of by the rector and certain parishioners of All Hallows de Bredstrete for the good of his soul. Also to his said daughter he leaves the reversion of other tenements in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, with remainders over. To John Burs, John Tours, and John Brokisborne, drapers, the reversion of certain shops in Westchepe near S. Peter's Church. Also to his aforesaid daughter the reversion of certain other shops in tail; remainder in trust to William Halden,<sup>1</sup> Recorder of London, for the good of his soul. His wife appointed guardian of his daughter [without finding surety]. Dated London, 27 April, A.D. 1375. Roll 103 (93).

**Bosoworthe** (HENRY), vintner.—Bequests to the high altar (*autentico altari*) in the church of S. Magnus the Martyr and ministers in the said church, and the high altar (*summo altari*)

<sup>1</sup> Alderman of Tower Ward.

of S. Mary Magdalen near Bermondeseye. To Alice his wife and Henry his son he leaves tenements in the parishes of S. Magnus aforesaid and S. Mary atte Hull for their respective lives; remainder to the wardens of his Fraternity of *Salve Regina* in the said church of S. Magnus for the maintenance of chantries for the good of his soul, the souls of Florence and Alice his former wives, and others. To Alice his daughter a tenement in the parish of S. Botolph near Billingsgate at the corner of a lane called "Poddyinglane." His wife to be guardian of his children. Dated London, the morrow of the Feast of S. Giles, Abbot [1 Sept.], A.D. 1373. Roll 103 (113).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Chelmeresford** (RICHARD DE), carpenter.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Andrew upon Cornhull. To Elena his wife he leaves all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid in trust for sale to pay his debts. Dated London, 14 May, A.D. 1375. Roll 103 (125).

**Elyot** (WILLIAM, son of HENRY), called "William de Kyngeston," fishmonger.—To be buried before the altar of H. Trinity in the church of S. Peter upon Cornhull. To Sir John Maufyn, the rector of the said church, and his successors, and the parishioners of the same, he leaves lands, tenements, and reversions in the parishes of S. Peter aforesaid and S. Magnus, Martyr, de Bruggestret for the maintenance of chantries and lamps for the good of his soul, the souls of Sarah and Alianora his wives, and others. A tenement called "le ledenhall"<sup>1</sup> mentioned as having formerly belonged to Sir John de Nevyll. Bequest of twenty pounds of silver, to be kept in a box in the custody of the four collectors of the parish of S. Peter aforesaid, for keeping in repair his tenements above devised. The wardens of London Bridge to inspect the said tenements at least once in the year, each receiving for his trouble three shillings and fourpence. In default of maintenance of the above chantries the tenements devised are to re-

<sup>1</sup> "The next is Leaden Hall, of which I read that in the year 1309 it belonged to Sir Hugh Nevill, Knight" (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 58). In 1343 a garden is mentioned as belonging to Sir Hugh Nevill called "Ledenhalle gardyn" (City Records, Letter-Book F, fol. 69).

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main to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London to the use of London Bridge,<sup>1</sup> and for the maintenance of two chaplains in the chapel upon the same. Bequest in aid of a chantry in the church of S. George the Martyr near Estchep, formerly founded by will of Robert Pykeman, fishmonger, proved and enrolled in Husting for Pleas of Land held at the Guildhall on Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.], 25 Edward III. [A.D. 1351-2],<sup>2</sup> the said bequest being charged on a tenement in S. Botolph Lane in the parish of S. Gregory aforesaid, which he acquired from Hugh Causton and another. The residue of the profits issuing from the said tenement to be devoted to the maintenance of books, vestments, lights, &c., in the aforesaid church. In default of maintenance of the said chantry the property to revert to the Mayor and Commonalty as above. Dated London, Saturday the Feast of Translation of S. Thomas the Martyr [7 July], A.D. 1375.

A note appended of William, son of Henry Eliot de Chesthunte, who was apprentice of Adam de Kyngeston, fishmonger, having been admitted to the freedom of the City of London on Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.], 22 Edward III. [A.D. 1348-9].

Whereupon came Elianora, wife of William, son of Henry Eliot de Chesthunte, and put her claim upon a tenement in the parish of S. George near Estchepe, and said that she had a life interest in the same by devise of John Rous her former husband.

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**Olneye (WILLIAM)**, fishmonger. — To be buried before the Salutation of the Blessed Virgin Mary where *Salve* is daily sung in the church of S. Mary atte Hull. Bequests to the said church for chantries, &c., also to his servants at Halewyk and elsewhere. To Adam Berden, the rector of the aforesaid church, and to John Stokynbury, fishmonger, he leaves all his lands and tenements formerly belonging to John Olneye, Knt., in Sopereslane, parish of S. Pancras. To Isabella his wife the residue of his goods after payment of debts, &c., for the maintenance of their children and

<sup>1</sup> The expression "the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London to the use of London Bridge" represents the Mayor and Commonalty in their capacity as *trustees* for London Bridge, to the maintenance of which so many

bequests were formerly made; now known as the "Bridgehouse Estate."

<sup>2</sup> The will referred to appears to have been enrolled on Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July], A.D. 1349 (Part I. p. 602).

for the good of his soul. Dated London, Sunday the Feast of Nativity of S. John Baptist [24 June], A.D. 1375. A.D.  
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**Felmyngham** (THOMAS DE), "chaundeler."—To Cecilia his wife a moiety of his goods and chattels, and a life interest in certain measures, *Broches*,<sup>1</sup> jars for vinegar, &c.; remainder to his apprentices. Also his tenement in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen in the Old Fish Market, for the maintenance of herself and of Agatha her sister for their lives; remainder to pious and charitable uses. Bequests to the church of S. Mary Magdalen aforesaid, its ministers, and chantry of the Fraternity of S. Mary therein; also to various orders of friars in London, prisoners in Newgate, the hospitals for lepers within three miles of the City, and various other hospitals; to every anchorite, whether man or woman, in the City and suburbs; to the old and new work of S. Paul's, the repair of London Bridge, the College of Chaplains, the poor sisters at S. Katherine near the Tower, the church of S. Michael in Wodestret and ministers thereof, &c. Bequests also of money and chattels to Thomas, son of John Symond, his godson, John de Bury, Sir Thomas de Clifton, chaplain, for celebrating divine service in the aforesaid church for the good of his soul for the space of three years next after his decease, to each of his apprentices, and others. Also to Cecilia his wife he gives for life his estate in certain houses held under the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's; remainder over. Dated London, 6 June, A.D. 1368.

Roll 103 (128).

**Herland** (WILLIAM), carpenter.—To be buried in the church of S. Peter the Less near Pauleswharf before the image of S. Katherine in S. Mary's Chapel. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, and to the old work of S. Paul's, namely, the chapel of S. John the Baptist near *le northdore*. To Agnes his wife he leaves his tenement in the parish of S. Peter aforesaid, and a tenement near *la Dragoun* at Douegate in the parish of S. Michael de Paternostercherche in the Rirole, for life, she to sell the reversion of the same, if she can, immediately after his decease and devote the proceeds to pious uses. Dated London, 6 July, A.D. 1375.

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<sup>1</sup> A *broche*, among other things, signifies a taper or torch (Halliwell).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Bury** (WILLIAM DE), "stokfisshmongere."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Nicholas de Coldabbeye. His goods to be divided into three parts, whereof he reserves one part to himself; a second part he leaves to Johanna his wife, besides her entire chamber and hall, a best bed, a *Biker* with covercle of silver, a best mazer cup, and other household chattels; and the residue he leaves to his children, the portion of any child deceased before coming of age to be devoted to pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his former wife, Johanna his present wife, Adam and Alice his father and mother, John Syward, and others. Out of his own third part he makes divers bequests for the maintenance of chantries in the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid; to the old and new work of S. Paul's, the said church of S. Nicholas and ministers thereof, and also for wax; to various orders of friars, the inmates of hospitals, anchorites, lepers at Hakeneye and *le loke* near London, the Abbot and Convent of Lesnes, his servants at Oldefisshstrete, &c. Also to Johanna his wife he leaves his tenements in the parish of S. Agnes within Aldrichesgate for life; remainders to William, John, Henry, and Richard his sons, in succession, for their respective lives; remainder to Agnes and Johanna his daughters, in equal portions, for their lives; remainder in trust for sale, the proceeds being disposed of as the rector and certain parishioners of the aforesaid church shall think fit. Also to his aforesaid sons in succession he leaves certain quit-rents in the parish of S. Mary Somerset for their lives; remainder in aid of the chantry in the aforesaid church of S. Nicholas founded by his master John Syward. Johanna his wife to have the custody of his children during minority, without rendering any account or giving security for the same unless she marry during the minority of his said children. Dated London, 18 July, A.D. 1375. Roll 103 (146).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter ad Vincula [1 Aug.].*

**Rede** (WALTER), "wexchaundeller."—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard in the tomb where Agnes, daughter of Gonnora his wife, lies buried. His goods to be divided into two parts, whereof he leaves one to his said wife, and out of his own share he makes



various bequests to the rector of the church of All Hallows in Bredestre for the time being, the old fabric of S. Paul's, the five orders of friars in London, the nuns of Stretford, anchorites, &c. To Alice his sister five shillings and two silver spoons. To John his servant a cloak of red, another cloak (*armilauseam*<sup>1</sup>) lined with russet and *medle*, two hoods of the livery of SS. Giles and John, and eighteen shillings. Dated London, 21 July, A.D. 1375.

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Roll 103 (158).

*Monday next after F. of Translation of S. Edward, King [13 Oct.].*

**Kelleseye** (THOMAS, son of ROBERT DE, late Recorder of London).—To the parishioners of the church of S. Mary Magdalen de Melkstrete he leaves his portifory with notes for use in the said church. To William Gerveys the residue of his goods in his mansion house in Melkstrete, with the exception of a portifory covered with silk, which he leaves to the chantry founded for the soul of his father in the aforesaid church. To the rector and churchwardens of the same church all his lands and tenements in Melkstrete for the maintenance of a chantry, &c. Also to the aforesaid William Gerveys he leaves a shop in Chepe. The rest of his lands and tenements to be sold, and out of the proceeds he leaves divers sums to the Abbot and Convent of Battle,<sup>2</sup> the Prior and Convent of Christchurch, Canterbury, to John Mitford, Alderman, and others. Dated London, Monday, 30 July, A.D. 1375.

Roll 103 (186).

**Yakesleye** (JOHN), fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Magnus the Martyr. To Alice his wife he leaves his dwelling-house and also two shops in Grascherchestret for life; remainder in trust for sale to pay his debts and for pious uses. Dated at his dwelling-house, Wednesday next after the Feast of Apostles Peter and Paul [29 June], A.D. 1375.

Roll 103 (187).

**Tudenham** (WALTER DE).—To be buried in the church of S. Martin Oteswich. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. To John de Bredeford of Bockyng and others the rever-

<sup>1</sup> A garment open before and behind, but with close sleeves (*armi-clausa*). See 'Catholicon' (Camden Soc.). On the other hand it is not unfrequently spelt *armilausea*.  
<sup>2</sup> Co. Sussex.

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sion of certain tenements in the parish of S. Martin aforesaid in trust for sale, the proceeds to be devoted towards a certain chantry founded in the said church for the souls of William (?) de Oteswych and others. To his executors he leaves his interest in a certain debt due from the king to Hugh de Ulseby. To Johanna his wife the residue of his goods not disposed of. Dated London, Tuesday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July], A.D. 49 Edward III. [A.D. 1375].—A schedule of other legacies attached.

Roll 103 (188).

Atte Legh (EDELINA, wife of THOMAS, late "stokfishmongere").—To be buried in the cloister of the collegiate church of S. Laurence near Candelwykstrete. Bequests to the master and chaplains of the said church; the chaplains of the church of S. Michael de Crokedelane, to the high altar of which she leaves her best tablecloth and towel; to the Abbot and Convent of Abyndon, and the Priory of Assherugge; to the church of Eton near Wyndesore, where she was baptized, for the maintenance of a chantry therein; to the work of S. Paul's, the five orders of friars in London, the inmates of divers hospitals, the Prior and Convent of the house called "le Charthous" near Smythfeld; the lepers at *la loke*, of S. James's near Westminster, of S. Giles's, and at Hakeneye; prisoners in Neugate, &c. Three thousand masses to be sung for the good of her soul within one month after her decease, and provision made for her funeral, observance of month's mind, &c. A long cloth of russet to be purchased for covering her coffin at her funeral, having a fair cross of white cloth in the middle; the same to be distributed to the poor after her funeral. Bequests also of money, goods, and chattels, comprising sheets, feather bed, *matras*, curtains, gowns, &c., to William Aperdele her kinsman, Roger Goldburgh her brother, Alice Goldburgh, Matilda her kinswoman, wife of John Rothyng, and others. Also to the aforesaid William Aperdele she leaves for life a certain tenement in Thames Street, in the parishes of S. Michael de Crokedlane and S. Magnus near London Bridge, of which she had been jointly seised with her husband, who had illegally devised the same; remainder to Laurence Wyght of co. Surrey, woolmonger, for life; remainder to William his brother for life; remainder to Thomas his brother in tail;

ultimate remainder to pious uses. The tables with trestles, and the *cuppebord* with mirrors (*cum speris*), in the hall of the aforesaid tenement to remain there into whosoever's hands the said tenement may come. Certain bequests illegally made by her late husband, charged on tenements of which they were jointly seised in the parishes of All Hallows the Great in Thamistrete and S. Augustine near *le Oldechaunge*, in aid of a chantry in the church of S. Michael de Crokedelane, she confirms. Dated London, Tuesday next after the Feast of Translation of S. Thomas the Martyr [7 July], A.D. 1375.

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A codicil annexed whereby she wills that all her lands, tenements, and rents not disposed of in the parishes of S. Augustine at S. Paul's Gate, All Hallows at the Hay, and S. Dunstan towards the Tower, be sold by her executors to Laurence Wight and others upon payment of two hundred pounds sterling, and upon their giving security for the maintenance of a chantry in the collegiate church of S. Laurence aforesaid to the extent of one hundred pounds. Dated at the house of the testatrix in the parish of S. Michael de Crokedelane, 27 July, 49 Edward III. [A.D. 1375].

Roll 103 (189).

**Bullok (JOHN)**, tapicer. — To be buried in the church of S. Dionisius Bakchirch. Bequests to the said church and divers orders of friars. His crops and other movable goods at Hallyng, co. Kent, to be devoted to payment of his debts. To John atte Dyke, tapicer, and Johanna, wife of the same, he leaves the reversion of a house, after the decease of Sibil his wife, in tail; remainder in trust for sale by certain parishioners of S. Dionisius aforesaid for pious uses. To William Bullok his brother, and to Katherine his sister, wife of Giles de Kellesey, for life, the reversion of lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Mary de Fenchirch and S. Dionisius aforesaid, after the decease of his said wife; remainder to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 20 June, A.D. 1375.

Roll 103 (190).

**Claverynge (RICHARD DE)**, draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Christopher at *lestokkes* near Margaret his late wife. To Dionisia his wife he leaves a certain tenement in Cornhull for life;

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remainder to Alice his daughter and Thomas his son in successive tail ; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Also to his said daughter and son he leaves the reversion of his leasehold interest in certain shops and gardens held under the Prior and Convent of Crichurche, London, after the decease of his wife. The residue of his goods and chattels, after payment of debts, to be divided into three parts, whereof one part is for himself, out of which he makes various bequests to the churches of S. Christopher aforesaid and S. Benedict de Graschurche, for maintenance of chantries, &c., and also to various individuals ; a second part he leaves to his wife ; and the third to his aforesaid son and daughter in equal portions. Dated London, Wednesday next before the Feast of S. Bartholomew, Apostle [24 Aug.], A.D. 1375.

A codicil annexed containing among other things a bequest for maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Benedict de Graschirstrete for the souls of John his brother and Johanna his sister. Dated Friday the Feast of S. Bartholomew [24 Aug.] in the same year.

Roll 103 (193).

**Biernes (JOHN)**, Alderman.<sup>1</sup> — To be buried in the church of S. Pancras near the tomb of Cristina his wife. Bequests to the said church and to the rector thereof, charged on his tenement at *le Watergate* near S. Paul's Wharf, in aid of the collection of rents appertaining to the three chantries founded in the said church by William de Causton. His lands, rents, and tenements in the City of London and suburbs to be sold, and the proceeds, with certain exceptions, to be placed in a chest under four keys, one to be kept by the wardens of the mysteries of the Grocers, Mercers, and Drapers respectively, and one by the Chamberlain of the Guildhall ; the chest itself to be kept in the Treasury of the Guildhall.<sup>2</sup> The money therein to be lent in sums not exceeding ten pounds, and for terms not exceeding a quarter of a year, to such as are in need, security being taken for the same. John Romesey and Alice, wife of the same and daughter of the testator, to be seised of a certain tenement held on trust for the testator, in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermanbury, for their lives ; remainder to Johanna,

<sup>1</sup> Ward uncertain.

<sup>2</sup> The chest known as "Barnes's Chest" is still preserved in the Town Clerk's office at the Guildhall.

daughter of the said Alice and of Sir Thomas Belhous, Knt., for life; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds to be placed in the aforesaid chest. A tenement in the parish of S. Pancras to be likewise sold and the proceeds devoted to the same purpose. Bequests to each order of mendicant friars in London, to Richard Odyham, one of his executors, John Drake, and others. Dated London, Monday next after the Feast of S. Mary Magdalen [22 July], A.D. 1375.

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**Mitford or Mytford (JOHN DE)**, draper.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Mary Magdalen in Milkstrete. To Johanna his wife all his lands and tenements in the City of London and suburbs for life; remainder to Juliana his daughter in tail; remainder to the rector and parishioners of the church of S. Mary aforesaid, for the maintenance of chantries for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his wife, John his son, Juliana his daughter, and others. If this devise be illegal he wills that the said tenements remain to his right heirs for the same purpose. Also to his wife his leasehold interest in the manor of Evere,<sup>1</sup> with all its stock, and in a certain tenement in the City and a garden without Aldrichesgate. Bequests to the Fraternity of S. John the Baptist of the Guild of Tailors, to various orders of friars, the church of S. Mary aforesaid and ministers therein, as well as to various individuals. To Henry Padyngton he leaves a *grypeshey* garnished with silver gilt, and to John, son of the same, seven silver *goddettes*.<sup>2</sup> Dated London, 31 July, A.D. 1375.

Roll 103 (216).

**Padyngton (HENRY DE)**.—To be buried in the church of S. Margaret de Fridaystrete. To Juliana his wife all his lands, rents, and tenements in the City of London for life, except a tenement in the parish of H. Trinity with shops in Hoggenlane, which he leaves to Katherine, daughter of Johanna atte Pitte his late servant, for life; remainder to John his son, except a tenement in Wattlyngstrete in the parish of All Hallows de Bredestrete, the reversion of which, after the decease of his wife, he leaves to Thomas Neel and Lucy, wife of the same. His wife appointed guardian of his aforesaid son during minority, without giving

<sup>1</sup> Perhaps Iver, co. Bucks.

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<sup>2</sup> Goblets.

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security at the Guildhall. Bequests to the aforesaid church and ministers thereof, to various orders of friars, to his servants and others. His wife to have her entire chamber, with jewels, apparel, &c. The best part of the residue of his goods not otherwise disposed of he leaves to his wife, a second part to his son, and a third to Katherine atte Pitte aforesaid. Dated London, 2 August, A.D. 1375. Roll 103 (217).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Shirbourne (JOHN).**—To be buried in the church or churchyard of the abbey upon Tower Hill called the Abbey of Graces. Bequests to the said abbey, the abbot and monks there, and the high altar and ministers of the church of All Hallows, Berking. To Agnes his wife shops in *la Baille* without Newgate in the parish of S. Martin for life; remainder to pious and charitable uses. His leaseholds to be divided equally between his said wife and Alice his mother for their lives; remainder to William his brother. Dated London, 10 August, A.D. 1375. Roll 103 (226).

**Bathe (WILLIAM DE).**—To be buried in the church or churchyard of S. Brigid the Virgin in Fletestrete. Bequests to the said church, the rector, ministers, and lights thereof, and provision made for chantries therein. To Matilda his daughter he leaves a silver cup weighing about sixteen shillings. To John Elmede forty shillings, and his girdle fastened with *botonet* and clasps with the letters *Jht*, and knife hanging thereto. Bequests to various orders of friars for their prayers; to the work of the churches of Littelton near Stanys and of S. Brigid aforesaid, and the old and new work of S. Paul's; also to the abbess and nuns of Ankerwyk, and to Matilda his daughter, a nun there. All his arms and girdles of silver, knives, and silver vessels to be sold to pay his debts and for pious uses. His tenement in Sholane he leaves to Alice the Prioress of Ankerwyke near Wyndesore, and convent of the same, on condition that they maintain a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Cristina his wife and others, and keep the said tenement in good repair; and on failing this after due admonition, the said tenement is to go to the Prior and Convent of Westmethefeld on the same terms; and if they should fail to

carry out the conditions imposed, the same is to remain to the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's. To the aforesaid Cristina his wife he leaves a corner tenement at "Fleteblurgge" (*sic*), with adjacent wharf, for life; remainder in trust for sale for the use of the church of S. Brigid and for the good of his soul. To Matilda his daughter certain rents issuing from a tenement near the Flete in the parish of S. Brigid aforesaid for life; remainder to the nuns of Ankerwike for clothing, &c. One thousand masses to be said for the good of his soul within one month after his decease. His wife to forego all legacies if she claim her dower. Dated London, 10 July, 49 Edward III. [A.D. 1375]. Roll 103 (228).

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**Syward (JOHN)**, "peutrer."—To be buried in the same tomb with Agnes his late wife in the church of S. Martin. To Alice his wife a moiety of all his tenements in the parish of S. Martin aforesaid, and in the parish of S. John without the east gate of Wynchestre, by way of dower, for a term of forty years, after which his wife is to be dowered afresh up to her third part, and two thirds of the said tenements are to remain to Roger his son in tail; remainder to William Syward his brother in tail; remainder in trust to be given to the poorest and most trustworthy man to be found in the parish of S. Martin aforesaid for life, with remainder to the next poorest, and so on. Further bequests to various orders of friars for two trentals of masses, to Katherine his sister, William his brother, his apprentices, and others. Dated London, Friday, 6 September, A.D. 1364. Roll 103 (229).

*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

**Chaddesle (RICHARD DE)**.—To Margaret Norable his servant he leaves certain shops in the parish of S. Edmund the King and Martyr in Lumbardestrete for life; remainder to Isabella Norable in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Also to the said Isabella lands, tenements, and rents in the parishes of All Hallows and S. Mildred in Bredstret in tail; remainder to pious uses. His executors to have the custody of the said Isabella and of her property until she come of age or marry. Dated London, 11 October, A.D. 1375. Roll 103 (244).

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**Podyngton** (ROGER DE).—To be buried in the chapel of S. John the Baptist in the church of S. Andrew de Holebourne. To Agnes his wife his entire brewery with all its appurtenances, together with shops, &c., in Holbourne, for life, without committing waste; remainder in trust for John his son during minority. If his said son die under age the same to be sold for pious uses. Also to his said son he leaves certain specific chattels. Dated London, Wednesday next before the Feast of Nativity of V. Mary [8 Sept.], A.D. 1375. Roll 103 (248).

**Leggi or Leggy** (SIMON, son of THOMAS, late Mayor of the City of London<sup>1</sup>).—To be buried in the church of S. Christopher de Bradestrete near the tomb of Thomas his father. Bequests to the Friars of S. Mary de Fletestrete and other orders for their prayers. To John Gille and Thomas Baker his servants he leaves shops in Lombardstrete in the parish of S. Mary de Wolchirchawe and elsewhere for life, and after their decease the same are to be sold, together with the reversions of a tavern called “la Raven” and of a brewery in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid, to fulfil his testament, and the residue of the proceeds devoted to the maintenance of chantries in the aforesaid church of S. Christopher. Dated London, 20 August, A.D. 1372. Roll 103 (249).

**Hanekyn** (JOHN), senior.—To be buried at the south door of the church of H. Trinity within Algate. Bequests to the said church, the Prior, Canons, &c., of the Monastery of H. Trinity, the parish clerk of the church of S. Katherine in the churchyard of the said monastery, the fabric of the priory church of Done-mowe, co. Essex, the works of London Bridge and S. Paul's Church. To Richard Randulf, Stephen Randulf, Robert “in the Hoo” his nephew, Amicia “in the Hoo,” Katherine, wife of John Hanekyn, junior, fishmonger, and others, he leaves divers sums of money and household goods, comprising beds, counterpanes, sheets, and gowns. Also to the aforesaid John Hanekyn, fishmonger, William Spicer, and others, all his lands, tenements, and

<sup>1</sup> Thomas Legge (as the name is often spelt) was twice Mayor, viz., in 1347 and 1351. He was beheaded in 1381 during the insurrection of Wat Tyler. An ancestor of the Earl of Dartmouth.



rents in the City of London and suburbs. Dated London, 13 August, A.D. 1375. A.D.  
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Roll 103 (255).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Radeford** (LAURENCE DE), Rector of the church of S. Andrew in Holbourne.—To be buried in the chancel of the said church before the image of S. Andrew. Bequests to the masters and scholars of the hall of William de Durham<sup>1</sup> in augmentation of its fellows (*sociorum*), to the church of S. Andrew for making a window, to Geoffrey his brother, Emma de Leuton his aunt, and others; also to the poor of his parish, and for maintaining the highway in Holbourne. His house in Weste Smeþefeld to be sold for pious uses. Dated London, Thursday the Vigil of S. Laurence [10 Aug.], A.D. 1375. Roll 103 (281).

**Stodeye** (WILLIAM), vintner.—To be buried in the church of S. Martin in the Vintry. An inventory to be made of all his movables at home and abroad within one month after his decease. One third of the same he leaves to Isabella his wife, another third to Elianora his daughter and his child *en ventre sa mère* in equal portions, and of the residue he makes various bequests to the church of S. Martin aforesaid, the church of Stodeye, co. Norfolk, the churches of S. John de Walbrok and All Hallows the Great in the Ropery, to each order of mendicant friars, and other pious and charitable uses. Certain tenements to be sold within three months after his decease and the proceeds devoted to the good of his soul. Dated London, the Feast of S. Bartholomew [24 Aug.], 49 Edward III. [A.D. 1375]. Roll 103 (282).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

**Longe** (ROGER), vintner. — To be buried in the church of S. James near Garlekhithe. Bequests to the said church, the churches of S. Martin in the Vintry and S. Paul, the orders of friars in London, various hospitals, the convents of Haliwell, Clerkenwell, Kelbourne, Chesthunt, and Stratford, and the Minoresses without Algate. To Thomas and William his sons, and John his bastard son, certain sums of money; remainder, in

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<sup>1</sup> Now known as University College, Oxford. See note, Part I. p. 316.

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case of their decease under age, in trust for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Lucy his wife and others. Among other bequests are the following:—To John Tylney his apprentice he gives twenty pounds, a silver *tastour*, a *coverlit* and *tester* of Norfolk worked with *delphyns*. To Maud Beccote for her marriage twenty pounds, a piece of silver with covercle, a *mantel* of *sanguyn* furred with *calabre*, a *coverlyt* with *tester* of red, three *curteyns* of worsted and two pairs of sheets (*lynceux*), and if she be *enceinte* in the opinion of his executors, he leaves twenty marks to the uterine child. To Nicholas his valet of the kitchen (*vadlet de la cousyne*) four pounds, a black coat of *worstede*, a *doublet*, and two pairs of shoes (*chauces*). To Rose Whyteman his servant forty shillings, a piece of coloured cloth for a coat, a piece of *blanket* for a corset, and a piece of linen for two *chemises*. To other servants he leaves measures of wheat and barley and a number of sheep; and to Sir John his chaplain forty shillings and his *porthos*. Certain quitrents of tenements at *la More* in the parish of S. Gyles without Crepulgate he leaves to his sons and their heirs; remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of chantries in the said parish church, for which he also makes other provision. Bequests to the church of Mepeham and poor parishioners of the same. Three thousand masses to be sung with all haste possible for the good of his soul. Dated Saturday, the Feast of S. Michael, Archangel [29 Sept.], A.D. 1375. Roll 103 (306).

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*Monday next after F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas* [7 March].

**Hale** (HENRY), fishmonger.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Magnus. Bequests to the high altar (*autentico altari*) and ministers of the said church, the light of the H. Cross and the light of *le Trendle*<sup>1</sup> therein, the indulgence of S. Paul's,<sup>2</sup> the Prior of Bermondeseye, &c. To John Wade and John Claydon his apprentices he leaves cups of silver and of mazer and

<sup>1</sup> A *trendle* or *trindle* was a taper consisting of a long thin coil of wax. They were expressly forbidden by the "Injunctions" of Edward VI.:—"Also, that they shall take away, utterly extinct and destroy all shrines, covering

of shrines, all tables, candlesticks, *trindles*, or rolls of wax, &c." (Wilkins's 'Concilia,' iv. 7).

<sup>2</sup> Indulgences were frequently granted for the rebuilding or repair of S. Paul's Cathedral.

silver spoons. To Johanna his wife a shop with half a solar and a cellar in Breggestrete for life; remainder to the aforesaid John Wade and John Claydon for their lives, charged with the payment of a certain annual rent to the wardens of the Fraternity of *Salve Regina* in the aforesaid church, to which fraternity the same are to revert after the decease of the said devisees. Dated the morrow of the Annunciation of the V. Mary [25 March], A.D. 1375.

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Roll 104 (15).

**Rothyng** (JOHN DE), vintner.—To be buried in the church of S. James de Garlekhithe in the centre of the belfry floor; and he desires that the bodies of Richard de Rothyng his father and of Salerna his mother be removed from where they lie and be reburied in the aforesaid place. Bequests to the belfry of the said church and for rebuilding a doorway. To the Prior and Brethren of the Hospital of S. John of Jerusalem in England he leaves the sum of two hundred and twenty pounds due to him from William Strete, the King's butler, for wine bought on the King's behalf, as well as a sum of money due from the companies of the Bardi and Peruzzi,<sup>1</sup> the bonds for which are to be delivered on his decease to the said prior. Bequests to Alice his daughter, John his son, Agnes his servant, Edmund de Sutton, and others, of money and chattels. To the right heirs of Henry, son of Edmund de Coventre, he leaves a certain tenement in the parish of S. James aforesaid, the rest of his lands and tenements in the City of London being devised to the rector and parishioners of the church of S. James aforesaid for the maintenance of a chantry, repair of church, observance of obit, &c. Further bequests to the rectors of London for their pittances, the inmates of Neugate, Flete, and the Marischalsea, the poor and decrepit in various hospitals, the lepers of *le loke* and S. Giles's Hospital; also for marrying poor maids, the repair of bridges and highways within twenty miles of the City of London, &c. William Halden, Recorder of London, appointed

<sup>1</sup> The companies of the Bardi and Peruzzi were the merchants of King Edward III. To them were delivered the revenues and wools of England, out of which they paid the King's expenses. After the war with France the King found himself heavily in their debt.

Either through greed or over-confidence both the Bardi and Peruzzi eventually became bankrupt, dragging down with them many of the smaller companies of Florence (*Archæologia*, xxviii. 259-260).

**A.D. 1375-6.** one of his executors, for which he is to receive one hundred shillings. Dated Wednesday, 23 May, A.D. 1375. Roll 104 (19).

**Roger (JOHN).**—To be buried in S. Sepulchre's churchyard without Neugate. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, and provision made for a chantry therein for the space of one year; also to the five orders of friars in London for celebration of a trental for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his wife and others. All his lands and tenements in Secolane in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid he leaves to his said wife for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 29 July, A.D. 1375. Roll 104 (21).

**A.D. 1376.** *Monday next after Feast of Apostles Philip and James [1 May].*

**Pembruge<sup>1</sup> (RICHARD DE), Knt.**—To be buried in the cathedral church of Hereford between two pillars of freestone (*inter duo pilaria de libera petra*) before the image of the Blessed Mary on the south side. Should he die abroad, he is to be buried where he dies, but a monumental effigy of him in stone with his arms (*cum uno cheval-ritto [?] de petra cisso de armis meis*) is to be set up in the said cathedral church, and enclosed with an iron railing (*et cum ferro circumcluso*), like that of John de Beauchamp<sup>2</sup> of Warewyk in S. Paul's. Directions given for funeral, and for masses to be celebrated for the good of his soul, the souls of Elizabeth his late wife, Alesia his sister, Roger and Hugh Tybriton, and others. To Henry de Insula, John

<sup>1</sup> Fought at Poitiers, and was Warden of the Cinque Ports. His directions as to place of burial appear to have been strictly carried out, for his tomb is situate between two of the piers which separate the nave of Hereford Cathedral from the south aisle. His effigies in close armour is recumbent on an altar monument, on the side of which are five shields in quatrefoils, and two others at each end, all of alabaster and bearing the arms of Pembridge. A tablet in the wall above the effigies describes him as the fifty-third Knight of the Garter. The whole is defended with iron rails (Duncumb, 'Collect. of co. Hereford,' i. 540; *Archæological Journal*, vol. xxxiv.).

<sup>2</sup> A representation of it is given by Dugdale ('Hist. of S. Paul's,' second ed. p. [51]). Dr. Sparrow Simpson thus writes of it:—"Crossing the nave, at the eleventh bay on the right hand is the tomb of Sir John Beauchamp, Knight of the Garter, son of Guy, Earl of Warwick. There lies his recumbent figure clad in complete armour, and on the four panels at the side of the altar tomb, you may see the armorial bearings of his noble family. The common people call it Duke Humfrey's tomb, although Humfrey, Duke of Gloucester, lies honourably buried at St. Alban's, twenty miles away" ('Chapters in the History of Old S. Paul's,' p. 80).

de Eynesford, John de Worstede, Andrew de Seinthomers, Gyles de Normandie, John Wilcok, living near Aleinsmore, Richard "with the noose," living at Nadle, and many others, he leaves divers sums of money. Dated London, 31 May, A.D. 1368.

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**Herlawe (JOHN).**—To be buried in the church of S. Benedict de Grascherchestrete in the tomb where lies the body of Isabella his late wife. His funeral expenses not to exceed seven pounds. The residue of his goods to be divided into two parts, whereof one he leaves to Agnes his wife by way of dower; of the other part he makes bequests to the aforesaid church and ministers thereof, and to a chantry priest therein for the good of his soul, the souls of Peter his father, Amicia his mother, and others; also to divers orders of friars in London, the churches of "Pappay," All Hallows near London Wall, S. Paul, and S. Antony near Fyncheslane, the poor in various hospitals, the lazars near London, the work of the new chapel in the churchyard near Westsmethefeld, the monks at Estsmethefeld near the Tower, the work of the church of S. Katherine near the Tower, the master and brethren of the house of S. Thomas de Acres, the poor women and widows living in Lymstrete, to Friar John Ingram, a recluse at Swannesnest near the Tower, &c. Desires that some one should make a pilgrimage to Rome, and there remain for a period of forty days (*per unam quadragesimam*), at his expense. To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Benedict de Graschurche he leaves certain rents for the maintenance of a lamp and repair of the chapel of S. Mary in the said church. To Agnes his wife he leaves the tenement wherein he dwelt in the parish of S. Benedict aforesaid for life; remainder to the rector and churchwardens aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said parish church; remainder, in case of default, to the Prior and Convent of the new Hospital of S. Mary without Bisshopesgate. Further bequests to the Fraternity of *Salve Regina* in the church of S. Benedict aforesaid, to the box of the Fraternity of Brewers, and to Stephen le Chaundeler, John Steven atte Crouche, William, John, and Richard Herlawe, and others, comprising sums of money, clothes, and silver plate.

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1376. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.], A.D. 1375. Roll 104 (43).

*Monday the Feast of S. Augustine [26 May].*

**Madefrey** (THOMAS), Canon of Wells, and of the Chapel Royal of S. George in Windsor Castle, Rector of Bradenasche<sup>1</sup> and Canon of Glaseneye.<sup>2</sup>—Directions for his funeral and bequests for chantries, wax, &c. To the church of Bradenasche he leaves all his books, except his small portifory, and his vestments. To John Pylet in tail, his kinsman, the tenement in Distaflane in the parish of S. Nicholas Coldeabbey which he inherited from his father Hugh Madefrey; also the shop in Eldefissshstrete in the same parish which he inherited from his aunt Pentecost, late wife of John de Bixle; remainder to the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid for pious uses. Also to the said John a stone called "Rubye" set in gold, a girdle of blue silk with griffons of gold, a piece of tapestry for the hall with two costers (*costis*) of *bluet* with impressions of divers beasts and flowers, a large *banker* with two small *palets* of yellow and white, a bed of *bluet* of *Worstede*, and a bed of red *say*, with curtains of *bluet de card*<sup>3</sup> and other household goods, two horses and saddles, and all his armour. To Master Stephen Pypmel, Dean of Welles, Roger Polford, John Cherchestyle, Alice, daughter of Henry Webbe, Sir William Wyke, his vicar at Welles, Sir Roger Bramchote, vicar in the chapel at the Castle of Wyndesore, the vicars of the churches of Welles and Glaseney, Robert Cross, his servants, and others, he leaves similar chattels, comprising cups of mazer, a piece of tapestry with a painting of Jealousy (? *steynat' de Gelosye*<sup>4</sup>), a bed of white powdered with roses, a piece of tapestry powdered with leopards' heads and a piece with two costers painted with the history of the Prince of Wales, a ring set with a large sapphire, together with sheep, oxen, and pigs, and his store of wood in his mansion at Welles as well as in the vill and castle of Wyndesore. The rest of his goods to be devoted to pious

<sup>1</sup> Bradninch, co. Devon.

<sup>2</sup> The College of Glaseney in Penryn, co. Cornwall, founded in the thirteenth century for secular canons and vicars (Lysons's 'Magna Brit.', iii. 121).

<sup>3</sup> See note *supra*, p. 37. Among the

effects of Henry V. were "ij tentes de bloy carde, &c., avec j porche et j aley" (Way's 'Prompt. Parv.').

<sup>4</sup> As to the introduction of cloth stained or painted in imitation of tapestry, see Rock's 'Textile Fabrics,' p. 101.

uses for the good of the souls of Hugh Madefrey his father, Juliana his mother, Pentecost de Byxle his aunt, John de Yepeswich, and others. His testament sealed with the seal of the warden of the College of the Castle of Wyndesore, his own seal being but little known. Dated Wyndesore, 18 September, A.D. 1374.

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Roll 104 (63).

*Monday the Morrow of H. Trinity [8 June].*

**Palle** (THOMAS), called "Sheres."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Mary le Bow with Katherine his wife. To Richard Spencer and John Neuport, junior, he leaves rents and tenements in Colmanstrete in the parish of S. Stephen. To William and Philip his sons, John de Torkeseye his kinsman, and others, he leaves sums of money. Bequest of the sum of twenty-five shillings for three hundred masses to be said for the good of his soul, the souls of Roisia his first wife, Katherine his second wife, and others. Dated London, Monday next before the Feast of the Annunciation of the Virgin Mary [25 March], 50 Edward III. [A.D. 1376].

Roll 104 (75).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Stodeye** (JOHN DE), vintner.—To be buried in the church of S. Martin in the Vintry. To Master Nicholas de Drayton, parson of the said church, and his successors, he leaves an annual quitrent of twenty-two marks issuing out of certain tenements in *le Brodelane* in the parish of S. Martin aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of two chantries in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his wife, Laurence Hardel, John Hardel, and others. To William, son of William Stodeye his brother, he leaves his tenement at Vanchirch<sup>1</sup> in tail male; remainder over. One fourth part of the residue of his property not otherwise disposed of he leaves to Nicholas Brembre<sup>2</sup> and

<sup>1</sup> Fenchurch.

<sup>2</sup> Mayor in 1377 at the accession of Richard II., having been elected in the place of Adam Stable, whom the king removed; was succeeded by John Philpot (of whom *vid. inf.*); was again elected Mayor in 1383, in succession to John de Northampton, the leader of the faction opposed to him. Notwith-

standing his being accused of having unduly forced himself into that office, he continued Mayor for three successive years. In 1388 he was accused of treason, and sentenced in Parliament to be hanged. Further particulars of his life will be found set out by Mr. Horace Round in the 'Dictionary of National Biography' (vol. vi. pp. 255-256).

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Ydonea, wife of the same; a similar portion he leaves to John Phillepot<sup>1</sup> and Margaret, wife of the same; a third to Henry Vannere and Margery, wife of the same, and the remaining fourth part to Johanna his daughter. Dated London, 22 March, A.D. 1375. Roll 104 (123).

*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

**Lyndeseye** (GILBERT), tiler.—To be buried in the church of S. Sepulchre without Neugate. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, as well as for the purchase of spices, wine and ale wherewith to regale his neighbours on the day of his funeral, and for ale to be drunk at his *Dirige*. To Thomas his son he leaves his *Tylhous* with all tiles and utensils thereto appertaining, as well as all his servants who are tilers. To Sir William Stoteville, perpetual vicar of the church aforesaid, and certain others, he leaves his tenements at the corner of Chykenlane in the said parish of S. Sepulchre, so that they provide for Alice his wife as long as she may live. To Roger Bure a *goun* furred with *otur*; to Nicholas Campayn a cloak lined with *bleu* and *grene*, and a *Pylche*<sup>2</sup> of Bure;<sup>3</sup> and to Johanna, wife of his aforesaid son, a piece of linen cloth and the pair of sheets in which he shall have died. Dated 21 September, A.D. 1376.

Roll 104 (134).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Stanton** (ALICE, late wife of JOHN DE, Knt.).—To be buried in All Saints' Chapel in the parish churchyard of Reynham. Bequests to the said church, the Abbot and Convent of Lesnes, the orders of friars in London, and in aid of the chapel aforesaid, charged on his tenement in the parish of S. Dunstan near the Tower. To Isabella his daughter, Johanna de Septuant, and various servants he leaves sums of money or chattels. Dated London, in the parish

<sup>1</sup> Served the office of Sheriff with Brembre in 1372. They were of the same political party, and supported the freemen fishmongers against the party of John de Northampton. For further information see notes to his will enrolled *infra*, Roll 118 (30).

<sup>2</sup> A fur, or garment with the hair on (Lat. *pellicium*). The term is used by Chaucer for a warm wrapper. Caxton says in the 'Book of Travellers,' "me fyndeth fures of *beuers*, of lombes *pylches* of hares and of conyes."

<sup>3</sup> Probably for *beure*, beaver.



of S. Andrew near Cristchurch, Tuesday next after the Feast of S. Mary Magdalen [22 July], A.D. 1364. Roll 104 (151).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

**Faukys** (ROBERT) de Beauchamp.—To be buried in the church of S. Martin Orgar under the marble slab where lies the body of Johanna his wife. Bequests to the church of Paternosterchirch in the Riote, ministers and beam light therein. To Richard Faukys his nephew and apprentice he leaves divers household goods, and releases him (the said Richard) from serving the remainder of his term. All his implements of trade are to be divided between his aforesaid nephew and John Faukys, brother of the same. Also to the said John he leaves his leasehold interest in a tenement in Candelwykstrete. To Sir Geoffrey atte Crouche, Rector of Abbechurch, he leaves the psalter pledged to the testator for twenty shillings or that sum of money itself. To Sir William Chestre, rector of the church of S. Martin aforesaid, and churchwardens of the same, a tenement in the parish of S. Martin aforesaid, so that they and their successors devote the issues to the chantry of Walter Papworth founded in the said church. Dated London, Thursday the Vigil of S. Thomas, Apostle [21 Dec.], A.D. 1375.

Roll 105 (4).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedra [22 Feb.].*

**Triple** (JOHN DE), fishmonger.—To Alice his wife for life certain lands, tenements, and rents which he took under the will of William Prodome, fishmonger, proved and enrolled in the Husting held on Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July], 5 Edward III. [A.D. 1331];<sup>1</sup> remainder to William his son in tail; remainder to the rector and parishioners of the church of S. Nicholas Coldabbeye, subject to certain charges, and in default to the Dean and Chapter of the free chapel of the lord the King of S. Martin le Grand. Also to his said wife, by way of dower, a moiety of his tenements and rents which he had by gift of Nicholas Triple his son and by devise of the aforesaid William

<sup>1</sup> Part I. p. 367.

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in the parishes of S. Mary Mountenhaut, S. Nicholas Coldabbeye, and S. Mary Somerset; remainder to the aforesaid Dean and Chapter. The other moiety of the same he leaves to William his son in tail. To Alice his daughter an annual rent of four marks until the sum of twenty marks be paid, besides other bequests. His wife to have charge of his said son and daughter during minority without rendering any account. Bequests to his servants and others of money and clothes. Dated London, 23 February, A.D. 1375. Roll 105 (8).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Trente** (PETER), "Botelmakere."—To be buried in the church of S. Thomas de Acon or in S. Paul's churchyard. Bequests to the church of S. Mary de Colcherche and ministers thereof, the Friars of S. Mary de Fletstrete and others for masses, &c., for the good of the souls of William his father, Agnes his mother, Alice his former wife, William de Trente, and others, and to the old work of S. Paul's. Desires to be buried without a coffin (*sine cista*), and leaves instructions for disposal of tapers after his funeral. To Deonisia his daughter ten pounds. To Margaret his wife certain rents in the parish of S. James de Garlekheth for life; remainder to pious uses. Dated London, 7 April, A.D. 1375. Roll 105 (16).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mark, Evangelist [25 April].*

**Seintpol**<sup>1</sup> (MARIE DE), "Contesse de Pembroc, dame de Weiseford et de Montignac."—To be buried in the church of Sisters Minoresses at Deneye,<sup>2</sup> her corpse being clothed in the habit of that order. The debts of Aymer de Valence, late Earl of Pembroc, her husband, to be discharged. Bequests to the Abbess and Sisters of Deneye; to Emma de Biauchamp, Abbess of Brusierd,<sup>3</sup> and house of the same, the Sisters Minoresses of London, the Provincial Priors of the Carmelite and Augustinian Friars, the Carthusian Friars of Henton<sup>4</sup> and of three other houses of the same order in England. To the Abbot and Convent of Westminster, for the maintenance of a chantry priest in the chapel near the tomb of her

<sup>1</sup> Relict of Aylmer de Valence, Earl of Pembroke, and daughter of Guy de Chastilioun, Earl of St. Paul.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Cambridge. Part I. p. 637 n.

<sup>3</sup> Brusyard, co. Suffolk.

<sup>4</sup> Co. Somerset.

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husband; she leaves a sum of money; also a gold cross with gold stand set with emeralds which William de Valence had brought from the Holy Land, two images, one of S. Peter and the other of S. Andrew, a gold chalice, and two tapestries of her husband's arms. Bequests also to the scholars in her hall at Cambridge,<sup>1</sup> and the work of the church of the Cistercian Abbey of Graces near the Tower of London. To the lord the King she leaves a ring of precious stones as a memento of her, hoping that he will assist her poor house of Deneye. To Sir Simon [Sudbury], Archbishop of Canterbury, a piece of the true cross set in gold with pearls and precious stones; and to the church of S. Paul in London one of her gold chalices and a silver-gilt image of S. Paul. To the King of France she leaves a sword *qui est sanz pointé*; and to the Queen of France a silver-gilt image of S. John, a relic, being the finger (*le doi*) of S. John, and also a Book of Hours which once belonged to the Queen of Scots. Her wishes as set out in certain schedules under her seal and locked up are to be carried out by her executors. Her goods and chattels on her several manors are to be distributed among the poor of the neighbourhood. Further bequests to divers religious orders in England, among them being that of a gold chalice and image of S. Louis of France to the high altar of the Friars Minors; also to the hospitals of Melton near Gravesend and Biggyn in Anesty,<sup>2</sup> to the Prior of Latton,<sup>3</sup> and to Aymar Dassell her nephew. Every religious house, abbey, or priory into which she had been received is to have some relic, image, or vestment as a memento of her, and such letters from their respective chapters as can be found. To her confessor she leaves twenty marks and her small breviary which the Queen gave to her. Her executors are to enjoy her hostel in the parish of S. Martin near Ludgate in the Ward of Nicholas de Farindon<sup>4</sup> for the space of two years, and then to sell the same in execution of her last will. Dated at her manor of Braxstede, co. Essex, 20 February, A.D. 1376.

A codicil follows, whereby she leaves divers sums of money

<sup>1</sup> She was the foundress of Pembroke College in the University of Cambridge.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Herts.

<sup>3</sup> Or Lacton, co. Essex.

<sup>4</sup> It is curious that this ward should still be associated with the name of one who disposed of all his rights to the aldermanry forty years before.

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to Friar William Morin, her confessor and Master in Divinity, Sir Arnald Pynkeney, Sir John de Shaftebery, her servants, and others. Dated at her manor of Braxstede, 13 March, A.D. 1376.

Roll 105 (21).

**Petigrew (RICHARD)**, "ismonger."—To be buried in the church of S. Benedict Shorhog.<sup>1</sup> Bequests to the said church, and provision made for chantries therein; also to Sir Richard Vyncent the rector and the churchwardens of the same an annual rent, charged upon shops in the parish of S. Benedict aforesaid, to the use of the said church, which shops, so charged, he leaves to Johanna his wife for life; remainder to Idonya his daughter in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Bequests to his servant and apprentice. Dated London, 5 March, A.D. 1376.

Roll 105 (35).

*Monday the Morrow of H. Trinity [24 May].*

**Benyngton (JOHN DE)**, draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas Coldeabbey. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; also for chantries for the good of his soul, the souls of Thomas Holbech, Katherine, wife of the same, and others. To Alice his wife he leaves his entire chamber with beds, sheets, and

<sup>1</sup> In Part I. of this Calendar (p. 413) a note was inserted to the will of a Benedict de Shorne to the effect that a fishmonger of that name was supposed to have given rise to the quaint title of S. Bennet "Shorhog," the name of a parish church in the City which was also known as "S. Osith." This was Stow's explanation, who conceived that "Shorne," the earliest name by which the church was known, was but a corruption of "Shorehog." Riley objected to attributing the name of the church to one who lived thirty or forty years after the church was thus known, and suggested that it probably took its name from the fact of hogs wallowing in the "shores" or ditches in its vicinity, which discharged themselves into the Wall-brook ('Memorials,' Introd. p. xix). On the other hand, Mr. Loftie has recently pointed out the existence of a "Willehaus Serehog" who lived in the vicinity of the church of S. Osith as early as the beginning of the twelfth century. Whether the church was called after a man of the name of

"Serehog" or "Shorhog," and whether "Shorne" be a corruption of the name, may be open to doubt; but as to the meaning of "Serehog" or "Shorhog," and its improbable connexion with hogs wallowing in "shores," all uncertainty is set at rest by a suggestion made by Mr. J. A. Kingdon, a member of the Court of the Grocers' Company, to whom the public are indebted for a photographic facsimile of the earliest minute-book belonging to that company. He points out that the name has no connexion with hogs in the sense of swine, but rather is to be referred to the north-country term "hog," "hogget," or "hoggerel," by which a ram or tup is known after being weaned, the same animal, if castrated, being called a "wether hog." After shearing, probably when a year and a half or two years old, it is called a "shearhog" or "shearling." It is curious to note that the property devised by the Benedict de Shorne just mentioned was situate in the parish most addicted to the wool trade—S. Mary de Wolcherchehawe.

other appurtenances, also his vessels of brass and tin, his mazer and silver cups, together with a moiety of all his goods and chattels by way of dower. Further bequests of money to Nicholaa his sister, Simon Benyngton, "upholder,"<sup>1</sup> of Cornhull, John Seles, John Tours, draper, and others, as well as to divers religious orders in London, and to the hermit shut up near the church of S. Laurence in Old Jewry. The reversion of certain tenements situate in the parish of S. Mary Aldermanbury, which come into possession on the decease of Sarah, wife of Thomas de Basyngstok, he directs to be sold and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, Tuesday next after the Feast of Pentecost [17 May], A.D. 1377. Roll 105 (48).

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### ANNO 1 RICHARD II.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Schellei** (THOMAS).—To be buried in the church of S. Thomas de Acon near the Conduit. The reversion of certain tenements and rents held by Matilda, relict of Stephen Cavendisch, late draper, for life, he leaves to William Rule, draper, together with the reversion of certain others held by John Foxcote for life. Dated London, 3 September, 1 Richard II. [A.D. 1377].

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*Monday the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Cantebrigge** (JOHN DE), fishmonger.—To be buried in S. Mary's Chapel of Crichiche H. Trinity, where John his son, Elizabet and Agnes his former wives lie buried. To the Prior and Convent of H. Trinity certain tenements and reversions in the parishes of S. Laurence near Candelwyestrete, S. Giles without Crepulgate, and S. Katherine within Algate. To Katherine his wife the reversion of a tenement called "Bacunysyn" in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Neugate for life; remainder to the Abbot and Convent of Burton,<sup>2</sup> co. Stafford. To William Kelhull, fishmonger, and Agnes, wife of the same, he leaves a certain tenement with great gate and cellar, situate in the parish of S. Nicholas atte

<sup>1</sup> Upholsterer or second-hand dealer, | <sup>2</sup> Burton-upon-Trent, where there was  
Fr. frippier. See Part I. p. 1, note 1. | an abbey of the Benedictine Order.

**A.D. 1377.** Coldeabbey, for their lives; remainder to William, son of Thomas Conners,<sup>1</sup> in tail. In the event of the said William dying without issue, all the property left to him is to be divided equally between the Abbot and Convent of Westminster, the Prior and Convent of H. Trinity, and the Prior and Convent of S. Mary de Overe in Suthwerk. Also to the last-mentioned prior and convent he leaves a shop in the Goldsmithery of London in the parish of S. Matthew in Fridaystrete for observance of his obit. To Sir Richard de Kyngeston, rector of the church of Burghasch,<sup>2</sup> a gilt cup with covercle to match. To John Kyngeston and other his apprentices he leaves sums of money, and to his chaplain a Legend of the Saints called the 'Golden Legend.' To his aforesaid wife two beds called "Feder bedisse"; and to the aforesaid rector of Burghasch and John de Kyngeston his house at Yermysmouth.<sup>3</sup> Dated Saturday the Vigil of S. Laurence [10 Aug.], A.D. 1376. Roll 106 (67).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Bures** (ADAM), called "Canoun."—To be buried near Hawisia his late wife in the church of S. Mary atte Hull. Requests to the said church and ministers therof, the church of S. Nicholas Hacoun, the five orders of friars in the City of London and suburbs, the prisoners in Neugate, the fabric of London Bridge; also to Alice his daughter, Cristina, daughter of the same, Alice his sister, Alice, wife of John Beingio, and others. To Johanna his wife he leaves a tenement and his leasehold interest in the parishes of S. Andrew Huberd near Estchep and S. Margaret Patyns for life; remainder in trust for sale for the good of his soul. Dated London, 15 May, A.D. 1376. Roll 106 (71).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

**Groom** (RICHARD), "curreour."—To be buried in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate in the same tomb with Estrilda his late wife. Requests to the said church and ministers therein; also for maintenance of the light upon the great beam, the light of H. Trinity, and the lights of S. Mary and S. Katherine therein.

<sup>1</sup> Convers (?).

<sup>2</sup> Co. Sussex.

<sup>3</sup> Yarmouth.

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To Emma his wife by way of her share of his goods and chattels he leaves his best mazer cup and all the woollen material lying in his house belonging to the craft of "cappemaker" (*sic*). Also to his said wife and to Juliana his daughter a hall<sup>1</sup> with *bankers* and *quissons* worked by *Tapisers*, and a chest called "Cornencheeste." Also to his daughter his brewery in the parish of S. Botolph without Aldrichesgate in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. To Simon and William his sons all his lands, tenements, and rents in Redecrouchestrete in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid as joint tenants in tail; remainder to the maintenance of a perpetual chantry priest in the said parish church. Bequests also to Walter Groom and John Groom, junior, his brothers. All the vessels, utensils, and instruments of his hall, chamber, pantry, and kitchen to be divided into four parts, one part of which he leaves to Emma his wife by way of her share of his goods, a second part to Juliana his daughter, and the other two parts to his aforesaid sons. Dated London, 18 November, A.D. 1377. Roll 106 (80).

*Monday the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

Tornegold (JOHN), merchant.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Magdalen in the Old Fish Market. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, and directions for his funeral. To the chapel of Brayford<sup>2</sup> he leaves his portifory and other ornaments of his chapel. Johanna his wife to have the wardship of his tenements, rents, and services in his manors of Brayford, Hanewell, Yistilworth,<sup>3</sup> and Yillyng,<sup>4</sup> and also of his manor of Bordeston, with horse-mill situate in the aforesaid vill of Brayford, so long as she remain unmarried; after her marriage the same to go to John Coggeshale until his daughter Alice shall have arrived at full age or have married. Also to his said wife he leaves a certain wharf on condition of her foregoing her claim to dower of a tenement which he had conveyed to Robert Baddele, and of lands and tenements in Yillyng called "Cold-hall"; otherwise the said wharf is to be sold, and certain sums

<sup>1</sup> *I.e.*, the fittings of a hall; "hallyng" or hangings for a hall (will of John Chelmyswyk, 1418, 'Earliest English Wills,' edited by Dr. Furnivall).

<sup>2</sup> Brentford.

<sup>3</sup> Isleworth.

<sup>4</sup> Ealing.

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of money to be given out of the proceeds to the Abbot and Convent of Lesnes, the Friars of Hundeslowe, and the church of S. Mary Somerset. Also to the same his leasehold interest in his dwelling-house upon Lamberteshull.<sup>1</sup> To John his son, a canon of Lesnes, he leaves two tenements near *le Brokewharf* for life; remainder to the Abbey of Lesnes. To Thomas atte Nasshe, Marjory Tornegold, John Cogeshale, Hugh de Ware, and others, he leaves sums of money and chattels, comprising silver cups called "chalice coppes," and a silver cup called "bykir." Dated London, Saturday the morrow of the Circumcision [1 Jan.], A.D. 1377. Roll 106 (83).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Kelsey** (GILES DE), "tapicer."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Dionisius de Bakcherche near Grascherche. Bequests to the rector and clerks of the said church, to divers orders of friars in London, and for maintenance of chautries, repair of poor churches, decayed bridges, roads, and other pious and charitable objects. His executors to retain his tenement in Lymstret for the space of ten years for the maintenance of a lamp to burn day and night before the altar in the aforesaid church; after which time the same is to remain to the rector and parishioners of the said church for similar use and for providing books, vestments, and ornaments. Certain shops in the lane called "Seynt Andreweslane," of which he was jointly seised with Katherine his wife, to be sold with his wife's consent, and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. His dwelling-house in Fancherchestret in the parish of S. Dionisius aforesaid to remain to John Horn his apprentice after the decease of his wife. Dated London, 18 February, A.D. 1377. Roll 106 (113).

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*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Schaldeford** (ANDREW), skinner.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. John's in Walbrok. To Floricia his wife the reversion of certain tenements in Walbroke and upon Cornhull in the

<sup>1</sup> Lambeth Hill.



parish of S. Michael, to hold in fee. Dated London, 22 February, 1 Richard II. [A.D. 1377-8]. A.D.  
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Dunstan Hareherug put his claim upon the above testament, as appears at the Husting for Pleas of Land held on Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.], 2 Richard II. [A.D. 1378-9].<sup>1</sup>

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*Monday the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Frowyk (HENRY), senior.**—To be buried in the church of the Hospital of S. Mary de Elsynggespitell within Crepulgate. To John the Prior and Convent of the Carthusian house near Smethfield certain tenements in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate. To Sir Robert de Braycote the Prior and Convent of Elsynggespitell aforesaid an annual rent issuing from a tenement called by some “la Redebrewehous,” and by others “la Rededore,” and from other tenements situate in the lane called “Sefhodlane,”<sup>2</sup> and elsewhere in the parish of S. Laurence in the Jewry; also from a tenement at the corner of the King’s road of *la Eldechaunge*, and from others in the parishes of S. Sepulchre without Neugate and S. Martin within Ludgate, for the maintenance of a chantry priest. To Henry his grandson (*filiolo meo*), son of Thomas his son, certain annual rents issuing from a tenement called “le Cage” in the parish of S. Michael de Bassyeshawe and houses in the street called “la Barbycanstret,” near the hostel of the Earl of Suffolk,<sup>3</sup> in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate. Dated London, Monday the morrow of S. Alphege, Bishop [19 April], A.D. 1377. Roll 106 (142).

## ANNO 2 RICHARD II.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Dachet (JOHANNA).**—To be buried in the church of the Preach-

<sup>1</sup> Hust. Roll (Pleas of Land series) No. CI., where the said Dunstan claims the property here devised in reversion, as having been long since granted to him by deed of the testator, by reason of which the tenements were attorned to the claimant.

<sup>2</sup> Otherwise called “Seuenhodelane,” “Seuehodeslane,” &c., difficult to identify at the present day.

<sup>3</sup> “On the west side of the Red Cross is a street called the Barbican..... this burgh-kenning, by the name of the Manor of Base court, was given by Edward III. to Robert Ufford, Earl of Suffolk, and was lately appertaining to Peregrine Bartie, Lord Willoughby of Eresby” (Stow’s ‘Survey,’ Thoms’s ed., 1876, p. 113).

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**1378.** Hugh de Ware, fishmonger, she leaves her tenement in the lane called "Petreslane," near Pouleswharf, in tail; remainder to Robert her son in tail; remainder to Alice Perers<sup>2</sup> to dispose of for the good of her soul. Also to her aforesaid son a white bed embroidered with hounds<sup>3</sup> (*cum leporariis*), with tester and half canopy (*cum tester et demi silur*); another bed of double *worstede* with *blanketz*, sheets, *canevas*, *matraces*, &c.; also a *dosser* for the hall with heads called "ladihevedes" worked in tapestry; dishes of *peautrer*, and four large *chargeours*. To the aforesaid Johanna bequests of similar chattels, and to the aforesaid Hugh a silver cup called "chalicecoppe" with silver covercle. The residue of her goods to be at the disposal of the aforesaid Alice Perers and John de Fordham, clerk. Dated London, Sunday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July], A.D. 1375.

Roll 107 (22).

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Flete** (JOHN), "goldbetere."—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard. Bequests to the old fabric of S. Paul's Church, the beam light in the church of S. Peter in Chepe, the belfry of S. John "Sacre,"<sup>4</sup> &c. To Johanna his wife he leaves certain rents in Godunlane, parish of S. Vedast, for life; remainder to John and Thomas his sons in successive tail. William Hapir, "goldbetere," to have all his implements of handicraft for the sum of six marks. His tenement near *le Flete* in the parish of S. Brigid in Fletestret to be sold and the proceeds divided equally among his daughters. Dated London, 13 February, A.D. 1377.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

**Nunthey** (RALPH) de Halstede.—To be buried in the chapel

<sup>1</sup> Dominicans or Black Friars.

<sup>2</sup> If this be the notorious mistress of the late King Edward III. and wife of Sir William de Windsor, the confidential trust here reposed in her by the testatrix is remarkable. Stow records how, anno 48 Edward III., as Lady of the Sun, she rode from the Tower, through Cheap, accompanied by many lords and ladies, every lady leading a

horse by the bridle, till they came into West Smithfield, where a tournament was held, lasting seven days. She acquired considerable real estate in the City, her name frequently occurring in deeds enrolled in the Court of Hustings. History has scarcely done her justice. See *Notes and Queries*, 7th S. vii. 449.

<sup>3</sup> Strictly speaking, harriers.

<sup>4</sup> *I.e.*, Zachary.

lately erected by him in the churchyard of the Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr in Southwerk. Bequests to the said hospital, to the poor prisoners of *la Mareschalesy* and of the King's Bench, the prisoners in Neugate, and the five orders of friars in London; to Sir John Wyndman, chaplain of the parish [church] of S. Dunstan Est, and others. To John his son he leaves all his lands and tenements in London in tail; remainder to Edmund Halstede his kinsman for life; remainder over. To Margery his daughter twenty marks sterling. Also to his said son and daughter all his household goods and chattels, with the exception of two beds which he leaves to John Broune. Dated at Southwerk, 23 December, A.D. 1378. A.D.  
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Roll 107 (87).

*Monday the Feast of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Potenhale** (WALTER), woodmonger.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Andrew near Castle Bernard (*sic*), near the tomb of Agnes his late wife. Bequests to the church of S. Andrew aforesaid and ministers therein, and directions for funerals, observance of obit, &c. Bequests also to the lights of the Fraternity of S. Erkenwald, the Fraternity of S. Anne, divers orders of friars, &c. A chantry priest to be appointed in the aforesaid church immediately after his decease for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes and Johanna his wives, and others. To John and William his sons, and Johanna his daughter, respectively, he leaves the sum of ten marks. Agnes his wife appointed guardian of the same, and her husband is to give security before the Chamberlain at the Guildhall for their portions in the event of her marrying again, which if he refuses to do the said children and their property are to be placed under the care of John Asshlee. Also to his said wife he leaves a tenement and wharf for life; remainder in trust for sale. Dated London, Friday next after the Feast of Annunciation of V. Mary [25 March], A.D. 1378.

Roll 107 (96).

**Penwaryn** (JOHN), tailor.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Aldermariecherche. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein. To Isabella his wife he leaves all his utensils belonging to his hall, pantry, butlery, and kitchen; and all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Dunstan in the Ward of

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Tourstrete for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, the morrow of S. Alphege, Abp. and Martyr [19 April], A.D. 1378. Roll 107 (105).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Strokelady** (WILLIAM), fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael, Queenhithe. To Matilda his wife all his lands, tenements, rents, and services within the City of London and suburbs. Dated London, 10 March, A.D. 1378.

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*Monday the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Payn** (ROBERT), "fuster."—To be buried in the church of the new Hospital of S. Mary without Byschopesgate, near Elena his wife. Bequests to the said hospital, the prior and canons thereof, to divers orders of friars in London, and the work of the church of S. Mary de Rouncevale.<sup>1</sup> Directions for burning tapers and torches at his funeral, and subsequent disposal of the same. To Henry Payn his kinsman, Richard Cotel, Agnes his daughter, Katherine and Alice, daughters of the said Agnes, and others, he leaves sums of money and clothes. All his lands and tenements to be sold by his executors, and the proceeds devoted to the maintenance of two chantry priests in the chapel of S. Katherine in the church of the aforesaid Hospital of S. Mary. Dated London, 13 March, A.D. 1378.

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*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Spencer** (THOMAS) de Bradstret, cutler.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Peter's in Bradstret. Bequests to the said church and ministers of the same. To Agnes his wife all his tenements in the parishes of S. Peter aforesaid and S. Mary de Aldermaricherche, to hold until Thomas his son arrive at full age. To William Peter, carpenter of Bradstret, six shillings and eightpence of silver. Dated London, Saturday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July], A.D. 1378.

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<sup>1</sup> Near Charing Cross; a hospital or priory of Rouncival or *De Rosida Valle*, chapel serving as a cell to the alien in the diocese of Pampelon, Navarre.

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**Berneye** (WALTER DE).—To be buried in the churchyard of the conventual church of H. Trinity, or in the cloister of the cathedral church of Norwich if he should happen to die at Norwich. Bequests to the said churches; to the priors and convents of Wymondham,<sup>1</sup> Bynham, Westacre,<sup>2</sup> and Cokesford;<sup>3</sup> the nuns of Shouldham,<sup>4</sup> the Hospital of S. Giles in Norwich, the work of the chapel of S. Mary in the fields at Norwich,<sup>5</sup> the prioress and nuns of Carhowe,<sup>6</sup> the rector of the church of All Saints de Oldeswynmarket<sup>7</sup> in Norwich, the church of S. Laurence in the Jewry of London, the collegiate clerks of Baliolehalle, Oxford, and the Hospital of S. Paul of Normanspittel in Norwich;<sup>8</sup> the churches of S. Thomas de Acon, S. Antonin, S. Mary de Aldermariecherche and Paternosterchirche in *la Riote* of London; the churches of Runhale,<sup>9</sup> Heylesdon,<sup>10</sup> and others; also to divers orders of friars in London, Oxford, Cambridge, Norwich, Babwelle,<sup>11</sup> Colchester, Canterbury, Lynn, Yarmouth, and Ipswich; to prisoners in Neugate, and in the castle and *tolhows* of Norwich; the chapels of the Guildhall, London, and of S. Mary de Walsyngham, and the shrines of S. Thomas of Canterbury, S. Augustine, and S. Edmund. To John de Heylesdon he leaves all his vessels of brass, wood, lead, &c., and his green hall<sup>12</sup> with *costers* and *quyssynes*, his best cup of mazer, a silver ewer (*aquarium*) and a silver *poudrebox*; and to Johanna, wife of the same, a cup called "Cokille" with silver covercle. To William de Norton all his books of the canon

<sup>1</sup> Or Windham, co. Norfolk.

<sup>2</sup> Or Acra, co. Norfolk.

<sup>3</sup> Parish of East Rudham, co. Norfolk.

<sup>4</sup> Or Suldham, co. Norfolk.

<sup>5</sup> "About the year 1250 was built a chapel in the fields on the south-west part of the city, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary ... which at first was design'd only for an hospital, but in a short time became a noble college" (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.', p. 361).

<sup>6</sup> Or Carow, co. Norfolk.

<sup>7</sup> All Saints, Green in Norwich came to be known as the "Old Swine Market" from the hog-market formerly kept there, but afterwards removed to Hoghill and "Castle Ditches" (Blomefield's 'Norfolk,' iv. 129).

<sup>8</sup> The Hospital of S. Paul, called Normanspittel from Norman the monk, the first procurator or master of it. Herein, says Tanner, were at first both men and women, but in later times only women, fourteen in number, seven called Whole Sisters and seven Half Sisters of the Normans ('Notit. Monast.' pp. 346-7).

<sup>9</sup> Runhall, co. Norfolk.

<sup>10</sup> Harleston, co. Norfolk.

<sup>11</sup> Now the Toll-gate, situate just outside the bounds of Bury St. Edmund, co. Suffolk, where a body of Grey Friars were permitted to settle after being expelled from the town (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.', p. 527).

<sup>12</sup> *I.e.* halling. See note *supra*, p. 199.

**A.D. 1379.** and civil law, a portifory, and forty pounds. To Friar Thomas de Elsyng ten marks, his book called '*Summa de Abstinencia*,' and his Legend of the Saints, which are in London. To Sir John de Merstone, rector of the church of S. Michael in Coslane,<sup>1</sup> sixty-six shillings and eightpence by way of heriot. To the rector of the church of H. Trinity twenty shillings, and to the parishioners of the same for making a vestment forty shillings. He also leaves two pairs of *Orfreys* and a cloth of white *Rakemas*, and ten pounds wherewith to make two copes for S. Paul's Cathedral. To Richard de Tasburgh, John de Folsham, and Richard, son of Ralph Trench, forty pounds for prosecuting their studies (*ad excercendas scholas*) at Oxford and Cambridge. Pecuniary bequests to divers individuals too numerous to mention. Dated at Norwich, 23 February, A.D. 1377.—A codicil whereby he leaves to John atte Bek de Norton twenty pounds, and also twenty marks for paying the cathedral church of Norwich.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Beanner (WILLIAM).**—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph without Aldrichesgate. Bequests to the said church and ministers of the same, to divers orders of friars in London, the shrine of the altar of S. Alban,<sup>2</sup> the convent of Stretford atte Bowe, and the Hospital of S. Bartholomew in Smethefeld, &c. To Agnes his wife he leaves all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid for life so long as she remain a widow, with remainder as to a certain brewhouse to Elena his daughter for life, so that they maintain a chantry priest therewith in the said parish church; remainder as to the residue to the rector of the

<sup>1</sup> Coselany Ward, Norwich, contains the several parishes of S. Martin, S. Mary, and S. Michael.

<sup>2</sup> In the abbey called after his name. At the time of the Danish invasion the monks of St. Alban's sent the body of the saint for safety to Ely, demanding the same again when all fear was over. The monks of Ely, however, refused to

restore it, whereupon it was given out that the true body had never been sent, but another, and that the real relics were buried in a secret place at St. Alban's. The monks of the latter place proceeded at once to dig these up and enshrine them. There is little doubt, however, that the body was actually removed to Ely.

same parish and to the Chamberlain of the Guildhall for the time being and their successors under the same conditions. Dated London, at his dwelling-house without Aldrichesgate in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid, 8 June, A.D. 1377. Roll 108 (4).

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**Croydon (JOHN)**, fishmonger.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Sepulchre without Newgate in the tomb with Margery his late wife. Bequests to the church and ministers of the same, and for taking down the old wooden cross in the north part of the churchyard if the parishioners will set up a new one of stone in its place. To Thomas Croydon his brother, a friar of the Augustinian Order, he leaves a mazer cup called “God morwe,” holding one gallon; after his death the same to go to the house of that order. Bequests to divers other orders of friars in London, to the work of the Hospital of S. Mary de Bedelem without Bysshopesgate that his name may be entered in its book to be had in remembrance, and to prisoners in Newgate, lazars, &c. To Elena his wife, in addition to the goods he received with her, he leaves three of his best beds, namely, a bed worked with dolphins in tapestry, a bed of *Norfolk*<sup>1</sup> and a bed of *Wursted*<sup>2</sup> dyed and worked with figures, together with their appurtenances, two best feather beds with best *bolsteris*, a *cuppeborde* called “vesseller,” three small cups of the measure of one *pinty*, a table with trestles, three chandeliers, and other household goods. His wife to have the custody of Elena his daughter and of her property, she giving security at the Chamber of the Guildhall. Also to his said wife and daughter he leaves a shop in Bruggestrete in the parish of S. Magnus, and his leasehold interest in tenements held under the Prior and Convent of Merton in Southwerk beyond London Bridge in the parish of S. George. Dated London, 10 April, A.D. 1378. Roll 108 (7).

*Monday the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Rous (ADAM)**, surgeon.—To be buried in the place appointed

<sup>1</sup> Norfolk generally, and more especially Norwich, was famous for weaving stuffs for costly household furniture. Sir John Cobham in 1394 bequeathed “a bed of Norwich stuff embroidered with butterflies.”

<sup>2</sup> Worsted, co. Norfolk, by a new method of its own for carding wool with

combs of iron well heated, and then twisting the thread harder than usual in the spinning, enabled weavers to produce a woollen stuff of peculiar quality, to which the name itself of “worsted” was given (Rock’s ‘Textile Fabrics,’ p. 65).

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by him in the monastery of S. Alban.<sup>1</sup> Bequests to the new work of S. Paul's, to the Abbey of S. Alban for a pittance, the church of S. Alphege within Crepulgate, and divers orders of friars in London. To Sir William Stodeleye he leaves a girdle with pouch and knife, which the Duke of Lancaster gave him. Directions as to burning of tapers at his funeral and their subsequent disposal. To Juliana his wife he leaves a certain tenement in the parish of All Hallows called "le Mechele"<sup>2</sup> for life; remainder to the Abbey of S. Alban on condition that his obit be observed as directed. Also to his said wife shops in *la Roperye* near a tenement called "le hood on the hoop" in the aforesaid parish for life; remainder to Abbess and Convent of the Minoresses of S. Clare without Algate; also the reversion for life of a tenement upon Cornhull after the decease of William his brother and of Johanna, wife of the same; remainder to house of the Salutation of the Mother of God of the Carthusian Order near London. To William Bowyer his son and to Lora, wife of the same, a certain tenement in the parish of S. Andrew upon Cornhull in tail; remainder to the aforesaid house of the Salutation. To the Prior and Convent of the church of S. Bartholomew de Westsmythefeld the reversions of certain tenements and rents in the parishes of S. Andrew de Holbourn, S. Mildred, S. Edmund the King in Lumbardestrete, and All Hallows the Great in the Ropery. Pecuniary bequests to the wife and children of Simon his brother, to Friar Thomas, son of his brother William, Cristina Harpesfeld, to his servants and others. Dated London, 27 April, A.D. 1379. Roll 108 (13).

**Spark (WILLIAM).**—To be buried under the altar of S. Nicholas in the church of S. Mary le Bow. Bequests to the said church, to ministers and the Fraternity of S. Mary therein; also to divers orders of friars in London, and to the canons of Neuwerk<sup>3</sup> near Gildeford. To William his son all his tenements upon Cornhull in tail; remainder to pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Margery his wife and others; also a moiety of all his vessels

<sup>1</sup> Co. Herts.<sup>2</sup> Generally known as All Hallows "upon the Cellar" (or Cellars) or "the Less."<sup>3</sup> Aldebury in the manor and parish of Sende, afterwards called Newark, New Place, or *De Novo loco juxta Guildford*.



of silver. Pecuniary bequests to Robert, son of Matilda de Flete, his bastard son, to Alice de Plukkele his servant, and others. Dated London, Friday the Feast of S. George, Martyr [23 April], A.D. 1361. A.D.  
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Whereupon the counterfeit and forged will which Andrew Smyth, "pyebaker," had delivered to William Cheyne, Recorder, and Henry Perot, Common Clerk, in the Chamber of the Guildhall, on Thursday next after the Feast of the Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.], anno 2 Richard II. [A.D. 1378-9], in order to stay the enrolment of the above true will, was by order of the Court publicly cancelled and annulled, and the aforesaid Andrew fined one mark.

Roll 108 (15).

**Haket** (ADAM), "bowyere."—To Margery his wife a moiety of all his tenements and quitrents situate near Bowyerrowe in the parish of S. Martin within Ludgate, also near Eldeneslane and Seinte-brideslane in the parish of S. Brigid, by way of dower; the other moiety going to William his son in tail, with ultimate remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds devoted to pious uses for the good of his soul. Bequests to the chaplain for the time being serving the Fraternity of S. Mary in the church of S. Martin aforesaid, and to the keepers of the lamp before the Holy Cross in the same. Dated London, 26 July, A.D. 1378. Roll 108 (16).

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Gatesby** (WILLIAM).—To be buried in the church of All Hallows Stanyng with his feet towards the font. Bequests to the high altar and rood light in the said church, the lights also of S. Nicholas and S. Katherine in the same, the Fraternity of S. Katherine near the Tower, the Fraternity of All Hallows, London Wall, and the Fraternity of S. Mary de Crichirche. To William and John his sons he leaves sums of money. Sarah his wife appointed guardian of his said sons. Also to the said John he leaves for life, with the assent of his wife, a certain tenement in the parish of All Hallows which they had acquired from the executors of John Aldreton; remainder to the wardens of the Fraternity of All Saints in the church of Stanyng (*in ecclesia de Stanyng*) aforesaid. Dated London, 29 September, A.D. 1378. Roll 108 (42).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Barton** (BEATRIX, relict of JOHN DE, late vintner).—To be

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buried in the church of S. Dunstan near the Tower, under the marble slab sealed with her husband's seal. Bequests to the said church, comprising an iron-bound chest for keeping church ornaments therein. To her lord the venerable father the Bishop of St. Asaph<sup>1</sup> a silver cup called "Beker." To Sir Richard Spridlyngton twelve silver spoons with gilt acorns. To Richard Stokes a silver-gilt salser. To John Morton a silver cup called "bolle," with silver covercle, a silver salser, a silver pear<sup>2</sup> (*pirum*), and an iron spit (*veru*) called "Gossespet." To Matilda Morton a pair of *bedes* of *blakgett* with gilt *gaudes*<sup>3</sup> (*cum gaudiis*) and a wire comb (*pecten de Wy'n*). To Walter Iklyngam a coverlet with tester of green, two sheets, a chest, chair, and an iron spit; and to Agnes, wife of the same, a *Courbe*<sup>4</sup> and a *Kyrtel* of *Redsay*.<sup>5</sup> To William de Barton, skinner, a feather bed and other chattels; and to Petronilla, wife of the same, a tunic of *broune* with fur (*furrula*) of *Kyngges*. To Sir Thomas de Wodhouus a portifory of Sarum use, a basin and ewer. Her leasehold interest in lands and tenements, garden, and dovecot upon *le Toururhill*, held under the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London, she leaves to her executors, one being Sir Richard Stokes, Baron of the Exchequer. Dated London, 8 September, A.D. 1379.

Roll 108 (46).

**Cornewaille (JOHN)**, "curreour."—To be buried at the Carmelite Friars. Bequests to the church of S. Augustine near the Gate and ministers in the same, to divers orders of friars, Nicholas Burle, Richard Lyllye, and others. Alice his wife to have a life interest in certain tenements in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate, and a moiety of beds, vessels, and other domestic chattels, all of which she is to accept in discharge of dower, otherwise she is to forego the same and take what she can recover by law. Dated London, 30 October, A.D. 1379.

Roll 108 (47).

**Kyng (STEPHEN)**, "gurdeler."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Laurence in the Jewry. His tenement in Phelippeslane

<sup>1</sup> William de Spridlington, formerly Dean of St. Asaph. Ob. 9 April, 1382.

<sup>2</sup> *I.e.* a cup in the same shape as a pear.

<sup>3</sup> See note *supra*, p. 25.

<sup>4</sup> A *courtby* or *courtpy*, a short cloak of coarse cloth.

<sup>5</sup> A serge or other woollen cloth of a red colour, or possibly it means "rayed," *i.e.* striped, say.

within Crepulgate, which he and Alice his wife acquired from John Cavendissh, "draper," to them and the heirs and assigns of the testator, is to be sold after the decease of his said wife, and sixty shillings of the proceeds divided among the children of John Batour, and the residue devoted to pious uses. Dated London, 1 August, A.D. 1375. A.D.  
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Roll 108 (48).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Burgh (THOMAS).**—To be buried in S. Mary's Chapel within the close of the Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr in Suthwerk. Bequests to the said hospital. To Agnes his daughter the reversion of a gold ring with a *dyamant* and a large mazer, and also of certain lands, tenements, rents, and services at Bilyngesgate in the parish of S. Mary at Hull, after the decease of Isabella his wife, to hold the same in tail, with remainder in trust for pious uses within the aforesaid chapel. Dated in his chamber within the close of the hospital aforesaid, Tuesday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June], A.D. 1379. Roll 108 (52).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

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**Nichole (FRANK).**—Is about to take a long journey and so makes his will. Immediately on hearing of his decease those who stand seised of his property in the City of London and suburbs, as also in the vill of Suthwerk and the counties of Middlesex and Essex, are to convey the same to his heirs (if any) to hold in fee tail; remainder to Thomas Vynent and Paul Gisors, son of Peter Spicer, his kinsmen, as joint tenants in tail, with remainders over. Dated London, Friday the Feast of S. Martin in Yeme [11 Nov.], A.D. 1379. Roll 108 (70).

**Lovel (WILLIAM),** called "Whatelee," cordwainer, who was admitted into the freedom of the City of London and sworn *temp.* Simon Franceys, Mayor, and Thomas Maryns, Chamberlain of the City, and is entered in the Green Book of Redemptions of Freedoms and Apprentices, viz., Friday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.], 17 Edward III. [A.D. 1343].—Bequests to the church of S. Peter in Westchepe. His leasehold interest in certain lands and tenements in the parishes

**A.D.** of S. Peter aforesaid and S. Margaret Moysi in Fridaystret he  
**1379-80.** leaves to his executors, subject to an annual charge in aid of a chantry founded in the church of S. Peter aforesaid for the soul of Simon de Parys, and to the payment of certain pecuniary bequests to Friar Richard Lovel his brother, Master Dionisius Lopham, Henry Perot, and others. To Cecilia his daughter he also leaves lands and tenements in the aforesaid parish of S. Peter, held for a term under the Abbot and Convent of Westminster; remainder to his executors; remainder to the wardens of his craft in Chepe for the time being. To the Hospital of S. Bartholomew near Smethefeld lands and tenements in Watlingstret in the parish of S. Augustine at S. Paul's Gate, charged with an annual payment of six shillings and eightpence to the Mayors or Wardens of the City of London, and of thirty shillings to two brethren of the said hospital perpetually to celebrate for the good of his soul, the souls of Stephen his father, Matilda his mother, Agnes his wife, and others. Dated London, Monday, 12 December, A.D. 1379. Roll 108 (72).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

**Cornerthe** (THOMAS DE), mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Mildred in Bredestrete. His goods and chattels in silver and gold, merchandise, and the profits of his share of Chastelec (*sic*) to be divided into three parts, whereof one part is to be devoted to the good of his soul, a second part to go to Elena his wife by way of dower, and a third part to Thomas and Isabella his children in equal portions. Also to his said wife he leaves all his tablecloths and household utensils, together with his (*sic*) entire chamber, except his personal apparel. Out of his own portion of goods he makes divers bequests to the aforesaid church of S. Mildred, to the high altars of Bow, London, and of the church of S. Michael in Basyngeshawe, the works of S. Paul's, Criccherche, and the church of S. Thomas de Aquino; to various orders of friars, the nuns of S. Elena, London, and of Stretford and Halywell; the prisoners in Neugate; to Clement and William Spraye, John Madour, Lora his sister, his apprentices, and others. To Sir John de Elford, parson of the church of Wode Norton, co. Norfolk, he leaves ten marks; and to George, the parson of the

church of Little Cornerthe,<sup>1</sup> a like sum. Provision made for chantries in the said church of Little Cornerthe as well as in the church of S. Mildred aforesaid. His tenement in Bredstret he leaves to his wife for life; remainder to Thomas his son and Isabella his daughter in successive tail. Dated London, 10 May, A.D. 1361. A.D.  
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Roll 108 (75).

*Monday next before F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Wynter (THOMAS)**, tanner.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Giles without Crepulgate. His house in *lamorestrete* in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid to be sold by Alice his wife, she to retain one half of the proceeds by way of her share of his goods and tenements, the other half being devoted to payment of his debts and pious and charitable uses. Dated London, Wednesday the Feast of S. Thomas, Apostle [21 Dec.], A.D. 1379.

Roll 108 (101).

*Monday the Feast of S. George [23 April].*

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**Rothyng (RICHARD)**, “stokfisshmongere.”—To be buried at the entrance to the church of S. Michael de la Crokedlane near Radegunda his late wife. To the Abbot of the new Monastery of Graces near the Tower, and his successors, he leaves a certain tenement in Stokfisshmongerrew near Crokedlane, which he had by deed and feoffment of Katherine Moigne, enrolled at the Husting for Pleas of Land held on Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March], 30 Edward III. [A.D. 1355-6],<sup>2</sup> so that the said abbot provide a perpetual chantry priest to celebrate for the good of his soul, the souls of Radegunda his late wife and others; and in default the same to go to the Mayor, Recorder, and Sheriffs of the City of London for similar purpose in the Guildhall chapel. Also to Friar John Bures, Prior of the House of the Holy Cross near the Tower of London, and his successors, he leaves a tenement situate in the parish of All Hallows the Great near Douegate, and

<sup>1</sup> Little Cornard, co. Suffolk.

<sup>2</sup> No such deed appears on the Husting Roll of deeds and wills for that date; but a deed was enrolled at the Husting for Pleas of Land held on Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas [11 June] in the year mentioned, whereby Katherine, relict and execu-

trix of John le Moigne, whose will was enrolled 5 Edward II. (Calendar, Part I. p. 228), conveys to Richard de Rothyingge, citizen and “stokfisshmongere,” and Redegund his wife, all her late husband’s tenements in Thames Street in the parish of S. Michael de Candelwikstret. Roll 84 (60).

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others in Syvedenlane,<sup>1</sup> for similar pious uses, with like remainder in case of default. To Richard Grace he leaves certain tenements acquired under the will of Henry Gubbe, situate near Crokedlane, for life, in trust for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Michael aforesaid. Dated London, 5 October, A.D. 1379.

Roll 108 (127).

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Tonk** (MARGARET, late wife of JOHN DE LA).—To be buried in the church of Paternostercherche in the Riolo near her late husband. Bequests to the said church and ministers of the same; also to Nicholas Cornewaille and Floria his wife, Isabella Patrik, Alice Haltoft, Alice Newecastel, and others. To Juliana her sister she leaves a feather bed, a best *cannevasse*, a pair of best sheets, a tester of green colour, tablecloth, a long *towayle*, a brass pot with leaden cover called "Tyvell" and leaden syphon (*fistula*), and a *futt*;<sup>2</sup> also, among other things, a robe of green colour with fur of *bysshes*,<sup>3</sup> a hood furred with *menyver*,<sup>4</sup> a fermail of gold having the Royal Arms of England, with a pair of *paternostres* of silver attached thereto called "langettis," and a cup of silver of Parys work imitating leaves. To Margery her sister and John Brampton, glazier, husband of the same, among other things, a tester ornamented with boars' heads, a fermail of gold made to represent four points of the compass (*ad modum quatre mye compays*), a pair of *paternostres* of *aumbre*, a silk girdle with imitation roses in silver, a silver cup of Parys workmanship similar to that bequeathed to her sister Juliana, and a red robe furred with *bysshes* having a hood of *Taunay* furred with *mennever*. To John, son of Henry Grene, Ydonea her niece, Isabella Drury, and Margery Basyng she leaves similar chattels,

<sup>1</sup> Or Synedenlane, corrupted into Sydon Lane, now Seething Lane.

<sup>2</sup> Vat.

<sup>3</sup> According to Riley a fur made from the skin of the hind or female deer. In Alexander Neckam's vocabulary the Lat. *bissus* = Fr. *cheysil* (Wright's 'Vocab.,' vol. i. p. 99). On the other hand, we find mention made of *bys* of rabbits and hares ('Memorials,' p. 267) and of squirrels.

<sup>4</sup> According to a marginal note on 'Liber Horn' (fol. 249 b) of the City's Records, *menever* was the name given to the fur on the belly of the squirrel during winter, whilst the same authority states that the furs known as *gris* and *bis* or *bisshe* were manufactured from the back of the same animal at the same season:—*Gris "et bis" (inserted) est le dos en yver desquirell et la ventre en yver est menever.*

comprising a mazer cup made like a ship, primers, cloaks of *medley*, gowns furred with *Grys*,<sup>1</sup> and a tester ornamented with heads of conies (*cuniculorum*). Also to the aforesaid Ydonea her niece and Margery Basyng her servant she leaves two mansion houses situate in the parish of Fenchirche for their respective lives; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Other mansions in the same parish she devises for sale for the maintenance of a chantry priest in the church of S. Michael [Paternoster-church] aforesaid. To the monks of Bermundesey thirteen shillings and fourpence. Dated 21 October, A.D. 1378.

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Roll 108 (129).

**Pole (JOHN DE LA).**—To be buried in the church of Crysteshale<sup>2</sup> between the tomb of Margaret his mother and Johanna his late wife. To John Lealham, goldsmith, and Hawisa, wife of the same, he leaves his hostel in Sharmonereslane in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen. To Robert Antoigne, William Lyndesele, John Lyndesele, William Drayton, and others, divers sums of money. Dated at Asshby David,<sup>3</sup> Thursday, 1 March, A.D. 1379.

Roll 108 (131).

**Lot (JOHN),** called "Foxton," fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Andrew at Castle Baynard, to which church and to certain parishioners thereof, being the best and most trustworthy men of the crafts of Woodmongers and Brewers, he leaves the reversion of a brewery situate in the parish of S. Andrew, and of a bakehouse in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermariechirch, after the decease of Margaret his wife, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said parish church and other pious and charitable uses; and in default the property is to go to the Mayor and Commonalty of London and their successors on like condition. Dated London, Easter Sunday [25 March], 3 Richard II. [A.D. 1380].

Roll 108 (133).

<sup>1</sup> Lat. *griseus*, one of the richest furs used in the Middle Ages, but it seems to be uncertain from what animal it was obtained. Riley is inclined to think it might have been the skin of the badger; but see the preceding note.

<sup>2</sup> Chrishall (?), co. Essex.

<sup>3</sup> Co. Northampton.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Fulham** (JOHANNA, relict of WILLIAM, late fishmonger).—To be buried in the church of S. Andrew Hubert near her husband. Bequests to the said church for lights, &c., to the churches of S. Margaret de Briggstret and S. George near Estchepe, divers orders of friars, the inmates of certain hospitals, the lepers of Hakeneye and *Loke*, &c. Provision made for chantries for the good of her soul. To Andrew Benet de Jernemouth her brother, Geoffrey Fulham and Leticia his wife, Richard atte Gate, and others, she leaves sums of money and chattels, comprising prayer-heads<sup>1</sup> of *aumbre*, pieces of *coerchiefs*, dishes, *chargeours*, candelabres of latten, and mazers. Dated London, Wednesday the Feast of Exaltation of H. Cross [14 Sept.], A.D. 1379.

Roll 109 (13).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Kyllyngworth** (RICHARD DE), draper.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Michael de Crokedlane. Bequests to the church of S. Michael and ministers therein, and provision made for two trentals. The reversions of his tenements in the parish of S. Peter the Less<sup>2</sup> in Bradstret, of a quitrent of Berneseld in the parish of S. Peter de Westchepe, and of rents of certain tenements in the Poultry to be sold by his executors, and one moiety of the proceeds to go to Katherine his wife, and the other to be devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 3 May, A.D. 1380.

Roll 109 (24).

*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

**Orleaux** (JOHN), brewer.—To be buried in the tomb of Isabella his late wife in the church of S. Michael in Bassyngeshawe. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof for chantries, &c. A piece of russet cloth to be bought to be put over his corpse on the day of his funeral, the same to be afterwards distributed among the poor of the parish of S. Michael aforesaid. Two trentals of S. Gregory to be celebrated immediately after his decease

<sup>1</sup> *j par precum de aumbre.*| <sup>2</sup> Now known as S. Peter le Poor.



for the good of his soul, the souls of Isabella aforesaid and others, for which he leaves the sum of twenty shillings, as well as six shillings and eightpence for providing lights (*lumen oportorium*<sup>1</sup>) around his corpse on the day of his funeral and his month's mind (*et in mense*), and two marks for a stone to be erected over their corpses. Bequests to divers orders of friars and to the Fraternity of S. Giles without Crepulgate. A certain tenement called "la Bel on the Hop" in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate he leaves to trustees, after the decease of Katherine his wife, for providing a chantry priest in the church of S. Michael aforesaid; and in case of default the same to go to the Mayor and Recorder of London for the time being for like purpose. Two leaden vessels called "Brueledes" and a leaden trough, which are in the tenement aforesaid, to always remain there, and to be kept the same weight or greater whenever they are repaired. Dated London, 9 May, A.D. 1380. Roll 109 (38).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

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**Nichol (ROBERT).**—To be buried before the altar of S. Katherine in the church of S. Botolph without Aldrichesgate. To Alice his wife he leaves his brewery called "le Pecok on the houp" in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid for life; remainder to Thomas Willesdon and Margaret, wife of the same. Bequests to the fabric of the aforesaid church, its chaplains, and the fraternities of H. Trinity, S. Sebastian, and S. Katherine therein. Dated London, Easter Monday [18 April], A.D. 1378. Roll 109 (65).

**Hownere (ROBERT), brewer.**—To be buried in the church of S. Martin within Ludgate. Bequests to the rector and clerks of the said church, and provision made for the maintenance of a chantry therein, charged on his brewery and other tenements within the parish. Bequest also to the Fraternity of the Blessed Mary in the said church. To Margery his wife he leaves his estate in the above tenements, and certain rents in the parish of S. Martin Pomer in Isemongerlane, for life; remainder in trust for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Martin

<sup>1</sup> An unusual word, perhaps connected | (Du Cange); unless it be a mistake with *oportorium*, a sepulchre or tomb | for *offertorium*.

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within Ludgate. His best silver girdle he leaves to be converted into a cross for the said church. To Alice Midewyf a piece of silver and silver spoons. To William Temple and John Canoun six shillings and eightpence respectively. Dated London, 3 December, A.D. 1380. Roll 109 (66).

*Monday next after Feast of SS. Fabian and Sebastian [20 Jan.].*

Gille (JOHN), draper.—To be buried in the middle of the processional way<sup>1</sup> (*in medio itineris processionis*) of the church of S. Christopher, London, in case the parishioners wish to construct a north aisle (*insulam*) in the said church, for the making of which he leaves twenty marks sterling; otherwise he is to be buried before the cross in the churchyard near his children, and the said sum of money is then to go to the work of the Conduit of London. Bequests to the said church for lights, &c., to divers orders of friars and every anchorite in London, to the hermit near the house of S. Katherine by the Tower, the inmates of various hospitals, the lepers at Hakeneye and at S. Thomas Wateryng,<sup>2</sup> and the prisoners in Neugate and Flete; to the works of S. Paul's and S. Peter's upon Cornhull, and of the church of Wynpole, co. Cambridge; to the boxes of the fraternities of S. Christopher, of Bedelehem, and of the Drapers. To Margaret his daughter he leaves a cup called "Byker," a gilt cup of three leaves, twelve silver spoons, and two hundred pounds sterling. Johanna his wife appointed guardian of his said daughter, she giving security at the Chamber of the Guildhall for safeguarding his daughter's property. Also to his said wife he leaves all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Christopher in the wards of Cornhull and Bradstrete, and his brewery and garden in the parish of S. Peter upon Cornhull, for life; remainders to his aforesaid daughter, Isabella his sister, and Richard, son of William Robynet, in successive tail; remainder to pious uses in the church of S. Peter aforesaid. Bequests also to Robert Gille his father, his servants, apprentices, and others. To the box of the Fraternity of S. John of the Tailors of London twenty shillings. Dated

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 157.

<sup>2</sup> Or "St. Thomas of Waterings" (Strype's Stow), in Southwark. Cf.

Chaucer, Prologue to the 'Canterbury Tales,' 825-826 :—  
And forth weriden a litel more than paas,  
Unto the waterynge of Seint Thomas.

London, 1 January, A.D. 1380.—By a codicil annexed he leaves to Johanna his wife the reversion of lands and tenements in the parish of S. Andrew upon Cornhull, coming to him upon the death of his father, for life; remainders over.

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Roll 109 (67).

*Monday next after the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

**Chichestre** (JOHN DE), goldsmith.—His tenement in the parish of S. John Zaker' at the corner of Godronlane, together with a shop in Chepe at the corner of Fridaistrete, and solars in the parish of S. Matthew in Fridaistrete, he leaves to John Frenssh, goldsmith, in tail; remainder to Johanna Frenssh, wife of John Markeby, goldsmith. Also to the said John Markeby and Johanna, wife of the same, he leaves a shop in the parish of S. Peter in Westchepe in tail; remainder over. To Sir Edmund Pencrich, rector of the church of S. Edmund in Lumbardstrete, and parishioners of the same, certain rents in Westchepe in the parish of S. Vedast, in *le Reole* in the parish of S. Michael de Paternostercherche, and issuing from a tenement formerly called "le Culver on the hope," and now "le Swan," in Temestrete in the parish of S. Dunstan Est, in trust for maintenance of chantries, torches, &c. To the Master, Brethren, and Sisters of the Hospital of S. Katherine near the Tower he leaves all his lands and tenements in Est Smethefeld without Algate in the parish of S. Botolph, together with others in the parishes of S. Mary de Abbechurch, S. Edmund in Lumbardestrete, and S. Nicholas Acon, one being called "le Taverne atte Belle," so that they pray for the souls of King Edward and of Philippa, wife of the same, the souls of John de Hermesthorp, clerk, master or warden of the said hospital, the testator, and others. To Alice his wife tenements and shops in S. Clement's Lane in the parish of S. Edmund aforesaid, one being called "le Sarezynesheved," and a tenement called "Topfeldes In" in Fletestrete, parish of S. Brigid, for life; remainder as to the last-mentioned tenement to William his son and John Frenssh aforesaid in successive tail. The rest of the above tenements to be sold after the decease of his wife and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 14 May, A.D. 1380.

Roll 109 (73).

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**Broun** (MARGERY, relict of THOMAS).—To be buried in her mantle and veil in which she became professed, without any coffin, in the chapel of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the church of S. Dunstan near the Tower, near her late husband. Particular directions as to her funeral, which is to be nevertheless conducted without much array, pomp, or feasting. Bequests to the church of S. Dunstan and ministers of the same, comprising a chalice and gilt paten engraved with the arms of her husband, a pair of vestments, whereof the *chesiple* is of cloth of gold diapered with birds<sup>1</sup> (*distempartum cum gallis aureis*), a towel with frontal to match the *chesiple*, two other towels, one of *melynges*<sup>2</sup> and the other of *crucicul*,<sup>3</sup> and a fourth towel for the lavatory<sup>4</sup> (*pro lavacro*); the rector of the said church enjoined to pray for the souls of Thomas, John,<sup>5</sup> and Simon her late husbands. Bequests also to the common box of the Fraternity of S. Katherine which used to be in the church of S. Katherine de Colman, but now is in the monastery of Newchirchewawe,<sup>6</sup> the church of S. Mary atte Hull and ministers therein, the inmates of Newegate, the lepers near London, divers orders of friars, the priors and convents of H. Trinity within Algate, S. Bartholomew in Smythefeld, and S. Mary without Bussupesgate; to every anchorite and hermit in the City, the old fabric of S. Paul's, the works of S. Thomas de Acon and of London Bridge; the convents of S. Clare without Algate, of Haliwell, Clerkenwelle, Kelborne, Chesthunte, and Stratford, the house of S. Antony near Fynkeslon',<sup>7</sup> and the chapel of S. Antony at Stratford. For the use

<sup>1</sup> Dr. Rock ('Textile Fabrics,' p. 33) calls attention to the frequent mention in church inventories of diapered silks for vestments, the most elaborate specimen of diaper-weaving on record being probably that which Edmund, Earl of Cornwall, gave to S. Paul's Cathedral, described as "a cope of a certain diaper of Antioch colour, covered with trees and diapered birds, of which the heads, breasts, and feet, as well as the flowers on the trees, were woven in gold thread."

<sup>2</sup> Perhaps meaning a mixture of colours (Fr. *mélange*), or medley.

<sup>3</sup> This may mean powdered with little crosses (*de cruciculis*), whence *stauracin*

(Gr. *σταυρῶς*), the name of a silken stuff so figured; or, on the other hand, ornamented with the *chrysoclavus*, or golden nail-head so often to be found on ecclesiastical vestments ('Textile Fabrics,' pp. 35-36).

<sup>4</sup> For washing the hands of the celebrant at mass.

<sup>5</sup> John de Cavendich, who is mentioned in another part of the will as having been one of her husbands.

<sup>6</sup> Or New Abbey near the Tower. See note *supra*, p. 143.

<sup>7</sup> Finch Lane, on the north side of which was situate the Hospital of S. Antony, sometime a cell to S. Antony's Monastery at Vienne.

of the church of S. Katherine de Colman she leaves two pairs of vestments, one of white *Fustien*<sup>1</sup> for weekdays, and the other of silk, in imitation of *baudekyn*<sup>2</sup> (*ad modum de baudekyn*), for festivals; an ancient missal, chalice and paten, a chest for preserving the said ornaments, and a book of the service of S. Anne. To Alice her daughter a mantle dyed with *murre* in grain furred with *Gris* (*pellucatum de Griso*), and all her clothes to match; a bed powdered with *Boterflyes*, sheets, a *materas* covered with *Borddalisandre*,<sup>3</sup> towels, &c. To Margaret Berkyng and Johanna atte Penne similar goods, comprising a good gown well furred with *putes*,<sup>4</sup> a *materas* of blue, a mantle of a colour called "violet" with fur of *Gris* and hood of the same suit. Her ring with one large pearl with which she was made a professed sister is to be placed upon the tomb of King Edward at Westminster. To Margaret her daughter she leaves tenements in the parish of S. Mary de Colchirche in tail; remainder to Alice her daughter for life; remainder to the Abbot and Convent of Evesham. Bequest of ten marks for hiring some one to make a pilgrimage to the town of S. James<sup>5</sup> immediately after her decease. Dated Tuesday after the Feast of Translation of S. Thomas the Martyr [7 July], A.D. 1376.

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**Hervy** (WILLIAM), brewer.—To be buried in the church of S. Andrew de Holbourne. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, and the Fraternity of S. John founded therein; to the Friars Minors for a trental of masses, and the Carmelite Friars. To Sir William his son, chaplain, he leaves his best cloak, an iron-bound chest with lock and key, silver spoons, &c. Gifts to be made to the poor on the day of his funeral and on the commemoration of his month's mind and obit. To Sarah his wife a tenement with shops in the parish of S. Margaret de Lothebury for life, so long as she remain chaste and unmarried; remainder to William his

<sup>1</sup> This appears to refute the opinion held by some that it is identical with *panni fuscotincti*, i.e., cloths dyed "tawny" or "brown." Other derivations are mentioned in a note later on.

<sup>2</sup> Cloth made of silk interwoven with gold thread.

<sup>3</sup> Or *Bourde de Elisandre*, as it is

sometimes spelt. According to Dr. Rock it is probably a kind of striped cloth made at Alexandria and other places in the northern and eastern parts of Africa ('Textile Fabrics,' pp. 72-73).

<sup>4</sup> Skin of the wild cat or weasel, Fr. *putois*.

<sup>5</sup> Santiago of Compostella.

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younger son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. To Alice his daughter sixty-six shillings and eightpence and a brass vessel holding two gallons; and to the aforesaid William his younger son divers household chattels. His wife to have charge of the said William during minority, so long as she remain chaste and unmarried. If his said son die within the next eleven years, all his goods are to be divided into two parts, one of which he leaves to his aforesaid wife, and the other to pious and charitable uses. Richard Hervy his brother appointed surveyor of his will, to whom he bequeaths six shillings and eightpence for trouble taken in that behalf. Dated London, the Feast of S. Thomas, Apostle [21 Dec.], A.D. 1380. Roll 109 (90).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Aubrey (JOHN).**—To be buried in the monastery of the Carthusian monks near London. To Matilda his wife he leaves all his movables. To the church of S. Antonin twenty pounds sterling, out of which the rector is to have eight pounds and therewith to be content. Each of his servants to be rewarded according to merit. Dated at Shenley, co. Herts, Saturday the Feast of Conception of V. Mary [8 Dec.], A.D. 1380. Roll 109 (98).

**Cornerthe (ELENA, relict of THOMAS, late mercer).**—To be buried in the church of S. Michael in Bassynggeshaghe near the tomb of Roger Madour her former husband. Leaves all her goods, movable and immovable, to Sir John Haitfeld, clerk, John Shadworthe and William Shiringham, mercers, to dispose of for the good of her soul. Dated London, 17 February, A.D. 1380.

Roll 109 (102).

**Wendelyngburgh (JOHN DE), "pouchemaker."**—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph without Aldrychegate. Bequests to the said church and ministers of the same, and for the maintenance of tapers in the chapel where is sung the antiphon *Salve Regina*; also to the new work of S. Paul's and for tapers therein, as well as for a taper to burn before the image of the Virgin at the north door of the monastery of S. Peter at Westminster. Bequests for chantries to be sung in the church of S. Botolph aforesaid, and at Oxford or Cambridge, for the good of his soul. To Eva his

wife forty pounds and various articles of furniture. Bequests also to the fraternities of the craft of Skinners of Sarum, of S. Katherine in S. Paul's Church, of Pouchemakers of London, and of SS. Fabian and Sebastian in the church of S. Botolph aforesaid; to William Hyne de Wendlyngburgh and Agnes, wife of the same, his sister, John Pere, his servants, and others. His aforesaid wife to enjoy a life interest in all his tenements in the parishes of S. Botolph aforesaid and S. Giles the Abbot without Crepulgate; remainder to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, Friday the Feast of S. Edmund, Confessor [20 Nov.], A.D. 1380.

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Roll 109 (103).

*Monday the Feast of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Wendelyngburgh** (EVA, relict of JOHN DE, late "pouchemaker").—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph without Aldrichesgate. Bequests to the said church and ministers of the same, and for the maintenance of a trental of S. Gregory<sup>1</sup> and other religious services therein. To Isabella Haliwell, Johanna her servant, Agnes, sister of her late husband, her godchildren, and others, she leaves sums of money and articles of apparel, comprising a cloak of russet with fur, and a blue tunic furred with black lambs-wool. Her tenement in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate to be disposed of for the good of her soul. Dated London, in Aldrichesgatestrete, 12 March, A.D. 1380.

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Roll 109 (109).

**Hatfeld** (ROBERT), pepperer.—To be buried in S. Anne's Chapel in the church of S. Antonin near the tomb of Alice his late wife. Bequests to the said chapel, and for the maintenance of a chantry priest for three years; to divers orders of friars in London, the inmates of Neugate and of several hospitals, to lepers living around and near London, &c. Johanna his wife to have charge of Robert his son and of property left to him, and if she marry again, she and her husband are to give security at the Guildhall for his son's goods. To each of his daughters, viz., Agnes, Juliana, and Johanna, he leaves one hundred shillings for kerchiefs (*ad capitergia*) and ornaments. To the ordinaries (*sic*) whose duty it is to take probate of this his will he leaves twenty

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 137.

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shillings for their reward and fee. Also to Johanna his wife his silver seal with chain and a fermail; also his leasehold interest in his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Antonin; remainders to Robert his son and to Geoffrey Crymelford and Agnes, wife of the same. Testament sealed with his business seal (*sigillum quo fungor in marcandizis*). Bequests to his servants and others. Dated London, Monday next after the Feast of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May], A.D. 1379. Roll 109 (123).

## ANNO 5 RICHARD II.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

Rous (JOHN), fishmonger, of the parish of S. Margaret de Briggestret. — To be buried in the churchyard of the said parish. Bequests to the said parish church, its ministers, and the light of the Holy Cross upon the high beam (*super altam trabem*); to divers orders of friars for *Placebo* and *Dirige* and solemn mass, and for providing each of their houses with bread and cheese and two barrels of beer to be consumed on the morrow after *Placebo* and *Dirige*; to the work of S. Paul's, the inmates of Neugate, the Marshalseas of the Bench and of the King's House,<sup>1</sup> prisoners at Storteford, lepers at *le loke*, [at] Hakeneye, and of S. Giles, the Hospital of S. Thomas de Suthwerk, the nuns at Stratford atte Bowe, John the hermit and Thomas the hermit; the poor sisters at S. Katherine near the Tower, S. James near Westminster, S. Giles de Holbourne, and at Elsyngspitel near Crepulgate; to Lora, a sister living at S. Antonin, to the Hospital of S. Thomas at Rome, the chaplains of S. Martin le Grand, &c. To Emma his wife he leaves a brewery called "le Glene on the hoop" in the parish of S. Magnus at London Bridge, devised to him by John Stodemerssh his father, and shops acquired from John Horn in Briggestret in the parish of S. Margaret aforesaid, to hold for life, so that she provide certain tapers

<sup>1</sup> The prison known as the "Marshalsea" in Southwark, so called because it was the court or seat of the Marshal of the King's House, who there sat in judgment. The King's Bench was another prison in the same locality, the custody of which was in an inferior officer known

as the Marshal of the King's Bench. These prisons were expressly excepted in the charter of Edward VI. granting to the Mayor and Commonalty the lordship and manor of Southwark. Neither of them exists at the present day.



to burn in the churches of S. Magnus and S. Margaret respectively; remainder as to the brewery in trust for sale, the proceeds being divided between the Fraternity of the *Salve* in the said church of S. Magnus, Robert atte Glene his brother and Beatrix his sister, and their respective children, with remainders over to the work of S. Paul's and of the bridge at Rouchestre. The aforesaid shops to remain, after the decease of his wife, to the rector and parishioners of S. Margaret de Briggestret in trust for the maintenance of chantries. To Robert his brother, John and Henry, sons of the same, Beatrix his sister and Johanna, daughter of the same, Sir William Beverlee, and others, he leaves sums of money and chattels. Bequests also to the nuns of Stratford, Chesthunte, and Kylbourne, and for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Magnus aforesaid for the souls of Sir Thomas Hatfeld, late Bishop of Durham, and others. Dated London, 5 July, A.D. 1381. Roll 110 (1).

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**Sudbury** (HENRY DE), skinner.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard. Bequests to the rector and chaplains of the church of S. Mary Magdalen in Milkestret, to Agnes his daughter, a Minoress in the Abbey of S. Clare, London, Sir John his son, a monk of the Abbey *del Bataill*,<sup>1</sup> and William his son, a monk at Westminster, Walter Davy, and others. To Margaret his wife he leaves a life interest in certain rents in the parishes of S. Botolph without Aldrichesgate and S. Olave "Eldiurie"; remainder to the Abbess and Convent of S. Clare aforesaid. To Katherine atte Conduit, a sister of the Hospital of S. Katherine near London, he leaves the bed upon which he may happen to die. Dated the Vigil of S. Peter ad Vincula [1 Aug.], A.D. 1375. Roll 110 (4).

*Monday next after F. of Translation of S. Edward, King* [13 Oct.].

**Dymnel** (HENRY).—Leaves the reversion of certain tenements formerly belonging to John de Paston and Johanna, wife of the same, and situate in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Neugate in the suburb of London, which he and Agnes his wife had lately acquired, by deed enrolled in the Husting of London for Pleas of Land held Monday next after the Feast of S. Mark, Evangelist

<sup>1</sup> Battle Abbey, co. Sussex.

**A.D.** [25 April], 29 Edward III. [A.D. 1355],<sup>1</sup> from John de Horewode, senior, and others, to Friar John de Bokelond, Abbot of Oseneye near Oxford, and the convent of the same, in pure and perpetual alms. Dated at his house in the said suburb, 4 September, A.D. 1381. Roll 110 (31).

**Serieant (THOMAS)**, vintner.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Wolchurchawe. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, and to the chaplain of the Fraternity of S. Mary's Chapel therein. To Johanna his wife he leaves his leasehold interest in a house in Berebyndereslane<sup>2</sup> in the parish of S. Mary de Wolchircheawe, with rents in the same parish and in the parish of S. Mildred in the Poultry, for life; remainder in trust for the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church of S. Mary, and for bequests to the inmates of Neugate and of various hospitals, to the fraternity of the chapel of S. Nicholas de Berkyngchirche near the Tower, and for other pious and charitable uses. Also to the rector of the church of S. Mary aforesaid and brethren of the Fraternity of S. Mary in Wolchirchhawe he gives a small parcel of land in aid of the said fraternity, charged with keeping his obit, the obit of Johanna his wife, and other services. Dated London, 9 May, A.D. 1380. Roll 110 (32).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Boteston (GEOFFREY)**, "furbour."—Bequests to the church of S. Brigid and ministers of the same. To Alice his wife his tenement in the parish of S. Brigid aforesaid for life; remainder to John and Thomas his sons and Matilda his daughter in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 8 September, A.D. 1380. Roll 110 (59).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Bampton (JOHN)**.—Leaves all his goods, movable and immovable, to be disposed of as his executors, of whom Sir William Courteney, Bishop of London, is one, think fit. To Isolda his wife a moiety of a hostel with adjacent shop in the parish of

<sup>1</sup> Hust. Roll 83 (32).

<sup>2</sup> On or near the site now occupied by

Little George Street, running into S. Swithin's Lane.

S. Bartholomew the Less<sup>1</sup> (*parvi*) for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, 19 August, A.D. 1381. A.D.  
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Roll 110 (61).

*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul* [25 Jan.]. A.D.  
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**Chalton** (JOHN DE).—To be buried near the stairs of the southern entrance to the church of S. Botolph without Algate. Bequests to ministers of the said church and for maintenance of a chantry therein, also to the Master and Brethren of the Hospital of S. Bartholomew de Smethefeld, to the Convent of the Augustinian Friars, the lepers at *le lokes*, in the Hospital of S. James near Westminster, and at Hakeneye; the Fraternity of S. Mary in the church of H. Trinity within Algate, &c. Bequests also to Amy his daughter, Roger, son of John Chalton his son, and others. Certain houses in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid to be sold after the decease of Alice his wife, and the proceeds devoted to the repair of the said parish church and of roads and bridges, and other pious and charitable uses. The residue of his goods, after payment of debts and execution of his will, he leaves to his aforesaid wife absolutely. Dated London, 14 April, A.D. 1380.

Roll 110 (74).

*Monday the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle* [24 Feb.].

**Maserer** (SIMON LE), goldsmith.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "Pardonchirchawe." Bequests to the church of S. Matthew in Chepe, its ministers, and the Fraternity of S. Katherine therein, and the old work of S. Paul's. To Alice his wife certain tenements with shops in the parishes of S. Olave de Herthstrete<sup>3</sup> near the Tower and All Hallows de Stanyng in Martelane, for life; remainder to Henry his son in tail; remainder to the four wardens of the mistery<sup>3</sup> (*de mistero*) of Goldsmiths of London and commonalty of the same in pure and perpetual alms, on condition that they observe his obit, and the obit of his aforesaid wife, in the church of S. Matthew aforesaid. Dated London, 6 November, A.D. 1380.

Roll 110 (89).

<sup>1</sup> It is uncertain whether the parish here mentioned is that of Little S. Bartholomew by the Exchange or S. Bartholomew the Less, the church of which served as the chapel of the hospital of that name; probably the former.

<sup>2</sup> Hart Street.

<sup>3</sup> Craft or occupation (*ministerium*).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mark, Evangelist [25 April].*

**ROSE** (CECILIA, relict of THOMAS ROSE, clerk).—To be buried in the church of S. Michael de Paternostercherche near the tomb of her late husband. Bequests to the said church, to every female recluse in the City and suburbs, and to Friar John Ingram, an anchorite near the Hospital of S. Katherine by the Tower. Provision made for chantries in the above church for the good of her soul, the souls of Thomas her late husband, Edmund their child, and others, and for keeping their obits, charged on rents in Ivylane and elsewhere. To the religious called "Chartres," living at the new churchyard<sup>1</sup> without Aldrichesgate, she leaves the reversion of certain rents for keeping the above obits. To Cecilia, daughter of Geoffrey Patrik her late clerk, a sum of money, a kirtel (*curtam robam*) of *sanguyne*, a mazer cup which Sir Peter, late rector of the church of S. Michael aforesaid, formerly gave to her, and a ring with a *perle*; and to John Norfolk, for being her executor, a sum of money, a plain gold ring, and her wooden bedstead of *bord*, with curtains, &c. Dated London, 10 June, A.D. 1380. Roll 110 (110).

*Monday next before F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Pyel** (JOHN).—To Johanna his wife all his lands, rents, &c., in the City of London and suburbs for life; remainder to the Dean and College of the church of S. Peter at Irtlyngburgh.<sup>2</sup> Henry his brother appointed one of his executors. Dated the Vigil of the Nativity of S. John the Baptist [24 June], A.D. 1378.

Roll 110 (117).

## ANNO 6 RICHARD II.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Middelton** (JOHN DE).—All his tenements, rents, &c., in the City of London to be sold after the decease of Isabella his wife, and his debts paid; the residue to be divided among John,

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 62.

<sup>2</sup> Or Erlingworth, co. Northampton. "John Pyel, *temp.* Ed. III., intended, and after his decease his executrix, *temp.* Rich. II., perfected, a college for six sec-

lar canons or prebendaries (one whereof to be dean) and four clerks, in the parochial church of S. Peter here" (Tanner's 'Not. Monast.,' p. 388).

William, and Matilda his children, saving to his said wife her reasonable part. Dated London, Sunday the Feast of Commemoration of S. Paul [30 June], *s.a.*

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**Cesthunte** (WALTER, son of SIR WALTER DE, Knt.).—To be buried in S. Mary's Chapel in the church of S. Thomas the Martyr "Dacon," near the tomb of his father. Bequests to the master and brethren of the said church, to the high altar of the church of S. John the Baptist at Dunstall,<sup>1</sup> to Simon atte Gore, John Donat, and others. In the event of his children dying without an heir of their bodies, he leaves the reversion of certain lands and tenements in Bokeleresbury in the parish of S. Stephen upon Walbrok to the Master and Brethren of the House of S. Thomas de Acon aforesaid for the maintenance of chantries; remainder, in case of default, to the maintenance of London Bridge, so that the wardens of the same provide the chantries as directed. Dated London, 23 October, 50 Edward III. [A.D. 1376].

Roll 111 (7).

*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

**Atte Seler** (RICHARD).—To be buried in the churchyard of H. Trinity, London. His tenement over against the church of H. Trinity to be sold, and certain sums out of the proceeds to go to John atte Seler his elder son and John his younger son. To John Mounde he leaves a *goune tauue* with one *Ray* and hood for the same; and to Margery his daughter five marks, a *coverlyt*, a *canevas*, and pair of sheets. Dated Saturday the Vigil of S. Bartholomew [24 Aug.], A.D. 1382.

Roll 111 (37).

**Boklond** (RICHARD) of New Alresford.<sup>2</sup>—To be buried in his vault (*in arca mea*) in the chapel of S. John the Baptist at New Alresford. Bequests to the fabric, lights, and relics [of the church or shrine] of S. Swithin<sup>3</sup> at Winchester, to divers

<sup>1</sup> Co. Stafford (?).

<sup>2</sup> New Alresford and Old Alresford, situate within half a mile of each other, and about seven miles north-east of Winchester.

<sup>3</sup> This saint was a native of Winchester, where he built a number of

churches; and, if not the first to construct, he at least rebuilt the main city bridge, known as the "Soke Bridge," which spans the river Itchen (Milner's 'History and Survey of Antiquities of Winchester,' second edition, pt. i. pp. 118-19).

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orders of friars, and to the Fraternity of the Kalendar (*Fraternitati Kalendar<sup>1</sup>*) of Winchester; to the fabric of the church of Old Alresford, &c. Provision made for funeral obsequies and chantries. To John Kampard, John Parys, John Stratton, John Fykaisse, and others, he leaves lands, tenements, cattle, and corn, comprising land lying "*in quarentena*,"<sup>2</sup> called "Atte Nasshe" and "Benethe Wey," and cottages in the Soke (*in Soka<sup>3</sup>*). To Thomas Bayon certain lands and a tenement called "Chaultiers," subject to an annual payment of five shillings to the chapel aforesaid, and a charge of twenty shillings to John Bayon. To John atte Rygge and John Luhde a messuage situate near the Newehall in New Alresforde, and abutting upon *le Brodecroft* near *le Graunge*. To Johanna his wife all his lands, tenements, &c., in the vills of New Alresforde and Winchester and the City of London, except those already devised, for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses; also his tenement situate near Nywebrigge in the vill of Winchester in fee. To Stephen Gylmyn and Richard, son of the same, he leaves a cottage upon *le Sok* (*super le Sok*). His testament sealed with the seal of the Deanery of New Alresford and the official of Old Alresford, his own being but little known. Dated New Alresford, Monday next after the Feast of Purification of B.V. Mary [2 Feb.], A.D. 1381.—Also to John Boteler and Alice, wife of the same, he leaves a tenement in New Alresforde. To Asselota Bye a shop between his new hall and Carteregate for life, &c.

Roll 111 (46).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop* [11 Nov.].

**LUCAS** (ROBERT), goldsmith.—To be buried in the Monastery of Westminster. To Margaret his wife a life interest in his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Michael in Hoggenlane;

<sup>1</sup> There was a church at Winchester dedicated to "S. Mary Kalendar," which at one time formed the principal ornament of the High Street. See also note *supra*, p. 93.

<sup>2</sup> Refers possibly to the extent of the land, a *quarentena* being=40 perches.

<sup>3</sup> "Ther is a suburbe at the est gate, of some called *Soken*, and is the biggest of all the suburbes longing to the Cyte

of Winchester" (Leland, 'Itin.,' vol. iii. p. 101). Strictly speaking, the Soke or Borough of Winchester comprises all the streets and buildings to the south as well as the east of the city. Hence the College was said to be within the district of the Soke. At the present day, however, the name is confined to that part of the city which lies on the east side of the river.

remainder in trust for sale for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Isabella his former wife and others. Also to his said wife he leaves certain lands and tenements, formerly belonging to John Blount, in various parishes to hold in fee, unless they be redeemed by the said John Blount by payment of ninety-two pounds within one year after date. His tenement in the parish of S. Margaret de Lothbury to be sold for charitable uses. Dated London, 2 September, A.D. 1382. Roll 111 (56).

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**Haunsard** (HENRY), fishmonger.—To be buried in the church or churchyard of S. Margaret, Virgin, in Bruggestret. Bequests to the said church and ministers of the same. To Matilda his wife certain rents of a tenement called “dolfyn o the hop” in the parish of S. Dionisius de Grascherche, and the residue of his goods after payment of debts and funeral expenses. Dated Wednesday, the Feast of S. Thomas, Apostle [21 Dec.], A.D. 1379.

A codicil dated the Eve of the Nativity of the B. V. Mary [8 Sept.], A.D. 1382, confirming the above, and granting bequests to the work of S. Paul's, to each order of friars in London, and for the maintenance of a chaplain in the aforesaid church of S. Margaret. Roll 111 (57).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Atte Brom** (WILLIAM), tanner.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Giles aforesaid<sup>1</sup> (*sic*). Bequests to the church of S. Giles and ministers of the same, comprising his best leaden *Trough*. Directions as to conducting his funeral. Alice his wife to enjoy his dwelling-house for life; remainder in trust for sale, and one hundred shillings of the proceeds to go to his son Walter, the residue being devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church. To Isabella his daughter he leaves certain shops for life, subject to various charges, and in case of default the same are to go to increase the estate of the light of the great beam in the church aforesaid. Releases to his apprentices a portion of their respective terms. Dated London, 25 December, A.D. 1381. Roll 111 (69).

<sup>1</sup> Probably S. Giles without Cripplegate.

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**Besouthe (JOHN)**, tanner.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Giles without Crepulgate near the tomb of his children who rest there. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, the light of S. Mary above the great beam, and the light in the basin (*in pelv'*) therein; also to the mendicant friars of London, the inmates of the new Hospital of S. Mary without Bisshoppesgate, the lepers in the Hospital of S. Giles without Holbourne, &c. Provision made for tapers to burn at his funeral and observance of his month's mind, and also before the images of S. Katherine, S. Mary over the font, and of Christ called "Trinite" in the aforesaid church, as well as before the images of S. Mary "de Newerk" in S. Paul's, and of S. Mary in the church of S. Mary le Bow. To Juliana his wife he leaves a life interest in his dwelling-house, garden, &c., in *la Morestret* in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Other tenements in the same parish to be sold after his wife's death for like purposes. Dated London, Monday, 1 October, A.D. 1380. Roll 111 (71).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Greyngnam (WILLIAM DE)**.—To be buried in the porch of the church of S. Margaret de Lothebury. Bequests to the said church and ministers of the same, and to divers orders of friars in London; also in aid of the chantry founded by William de Iford in the said church. To Alice his wife certain rents in the parish of S. Margaret for life; remainder to Sir Roger de Farendon, rector of the aforesaid church. Also to his wife all his lands and tenements in Colmanstrete in the same parish for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses; and also his leasehold interest in a tenement without Bisshopgate. Dated London, 10 November, A.D. 1382.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

**Warener (JOHN)**, otherwise called "Walsyngham," armourer.—To be buried in the church of the Carmelite Friars. To the Friars Minors of London he leaves a silver cup with covercle. To Johanna his wife the reversion of certain tenements in the parish



of S. Mary de Colchirche for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses.—By codicil annexed to this his testament he declares his will as to certain lands and tenements in the vills of Ware and Amwell,<sup>1</sup> namely, that his aforesaid wife should have a life interest therein, and after her decease that the same should be sold and the proceeds devoted to the good of his soul, except forty shillings, which he leaves to the Abbot and Convent of Waltham Holy Cross. Dated 30 August, A.D. 1382.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. George the Martyr [23 April].*

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**Longeneye** (JOHN), fishmonger.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "le Pardounchirchewawe." Bequests to the church of S. Mary Magdalen in Oldefysshstrete and ministers therein, the old work of S. Paul's, and divers orders of friars in London; also for the maintenance of two chantry priests, one in the church [*blank*] aforesaid, and the other in the church of S. Mary Mountenhaut. To John Hille his apprentice he leaves his wharf called "le Saltewharf" in the parish of S. Michael de la Quenethuth, his interest in a *creyer*,<sup>2</sup> and a sum of money. To Margery his sister, Gilbert Coke, John Tuwyn, and others, he leaves sums of money and divers goods, including a gilt *broche* and a pair of *bedes* of *haumbre*.<sup>3</sup> Dated London, 28 May, A.D. 1382.

Roll 111 (138).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Peutry** (FELICIA, relict of JOHN).—To be buried in the church of the Carthusian house near West Smythfeld, near the tomb of her late husband. To the prior and monks of the said house she leaves certain rents issuing from her tenement called "le holceler" in the parish of S. Margaret de Bruggestret, so that they observe her obit and the obit of her late husband on the Feast of S. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr [5 June], with *Requiem* and *Placebo*

<sup>1</sup> Near Ware, co. Herts. It was from this place that the Corporation of London were empowered to bring water to London by statutes 3 James I. c. 18 and 4 James I. c. 12. Instead, however, of carrying out the undertaking themselves they transferred their power to

Sir Hugh Middleton, who successfully accomplished the work of the "New River"—the greatest commercial success, perhaps, that has ever been achieved.

<sup>2</sup> A small merchant ship.

<sup>3</sup> Amber.

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and *Dirige* with music on the vigil of the said feast. To Johanna her daughter, a nun of the house of S. John the Baptist of Halywell, other rents in Bogerowe in the parish of S. Antonin. The above tenements, subject to the charges aforesaid, she leaves to John Curteys de Peterborough and Alice his wife, her daughter. To William Waddesworth, pepperer, the reversion of tenements called "le holceler" and "le brodegate," and rents issuing from the tenter-grounds (*de tentoriis*) of the Fullers in the parish of S. Margaret de Bruggestret. Dated London, Friday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Archbishop [19 May], A.D. 1381.

Roll 111 (153).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Guldeford** (JOHN DE), "paneter."—To be buried in the choir of the Preaching Friars at Staunford, or if he happen to die in London, in the Priory of S. Bartholomew at the feet of the prior last deceased. To Katherine his wife he leaves one half of his movable goods, to be disposed of by her on behalf of Thomas and Gervase his sons. Bequests to the church of S. Nicholas near the Shambles and ministers of the same. Directions as to funeral obsequies. Friar William Seynlys to celebrate a trental of S. Gregory<sup>1</sup> at stated times, and other masses to be celebrated in the church of S. Andrew, Staunford. Bequests to divers orders of friars in London and Staunford, to the nuns of S. Michael, Staunford, to hermits and anchorites in and near London and Staunford, the nuns of Clerkenwell and Stratford, the work of the churches of Duffeld and Mogyton, co. Derby, and every church in Staunford where daily mass is said; also to John, son of Johanna his late wife, Thomas Wykes his son and Gervase, foster-brother of the said Thomas (*germano suo*), to Robert his son, of the Duke's pantry (*in panetria ducis nunc existens*), and others. Bequests also for two pilgrims to go to Rome and cause masses to be said for the good of his soul in the chapel of the Blessed Mary called "*Scala Celi*."<sup>2</sup> Certain tenements in New Lynne

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 137.

<sup>2</sup> Situate in an uninhabited district of the Campagna. Derives its name from a vision of S. Bernard, in which, when celebrating mass for certain souls,

they appeared to him ascending by a ladder to heaven. The name *Scala Celi* was also given to Henry VII.'s Chapel at Westminster Abbey.

[and] in the parish of S. Nicholas in the vill of Systerne,<sup>1</sup> which he had of John Systerne, to be sold for pious uses.

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The same day and year he leaves to Katherine his wife all his fee simple rents in London to hold for life; remainder to the Priory of S. Bartholomew, charged with an annual payment of ten marks of silver to the Prior and Convent of the Carthusian Order near Smethefeld for the maintenance of a special chantry priest, and with a further annual payment to the Hospital of S. Bartholomew in Smethefeld for the maintenance of the sick, &c. To Richard Couland his kinsman he leaves his lands in Duffield, co. Derby. Dated London, Saturday the Vigil of S. Laurence, Martyr [10 Aug.], A.D. 1382.

Roll 111 (159).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Botolph, Abbot [17 June].*

**Mitford** (JOHANNA, relict of JOHN, late draper).—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Magdalen in Melkstrete, of which church she is a parishioner, near the tomb of Walter Frowyk. Bequests to the said church and ministers of the same, and provision made for torches and tapers to burn on the day of her funeral and her month's mind, the torches being afterwards given to the church of S. Mary Magdalen aforesaid, and the parish churches of Sunderyssh, co. Kent, and S. Mary de Iver, co. Bucks. Her executors are to hire the larger tapers of twelve pounds according to the custom, the lesser tapers of six pounds remaining in the said church for the use and relief of the poor who die in the parish. Her funeral expenses to be moderate, without pomp or vain glory. To Alice Dale, John, son of Henry Padyngton, William Kelsey, and others, she leaves divers sums of money and chattels, comprising a bed embroidered with dogs with demi-celure, a mazer and *godettes*, and her best gown (*gonellum*) furred with grey.<sup>2</sup> To Juliana her daughter, now the wife of Robert de Louthe, she leaves a tenement with shops in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale by the rector and certain parishioners of the same for pious and charitable uses. Among other bequests she leaves to an old tailor in Melkstret, living opposite her house near Bradele, the sum of twelve pence;

<sup>1</sup> Syston (?), co. Leicester.

<sup>2</sup> See note *supra*, p. 214.

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and to Johanna de Kent, living in Westram,<sup>1</sup> two shillings. Desires that a cloth of russet be put over her coffin at her funeral, which shall afterwards remain in the hands of the rector and churchwardens of the aforesaid church, together with one of her own sheets, for the service of poor parishioners when they die. Dated London, 18 October, A.D. 1382. Roll 111 (164).

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*Monday the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Thame** (NICHOLAS DE), butcher.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Nicholas at the Shambles. To William his servant he leaves a basin and ewer of the value of three shillings, and all the knives and cleavers of his shop, except one broad cleaver, which is to be sold and the money devoted to the good of the soul of Hykemanny Kyng. One half of his personal linen and bed linen to go to his wife [not named], and the other half to be devoted to the good of his soul. Tenements in the parish of S. Sepulchre in Holbourne and the parish of S. Giles to be sold for like purpose. Dated 4 October, A.D. 1382.

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**Atte Launde** (ROBERT), Knt.—To Cristina his wife all his tenements in the parishes of S. Mary de Stanynglane and S. Michael de Wodestret in Ingenlane and Stanynglane for life; remainder in trust for sale by the rector and certain parishioners of the church of S. Michael aforesaid, with the assistance of the Mayor and Recorder of the City for the time being, and the proceeds to be disposed of by his executors. To the Prior and Convent of Charterhous he leaves the reversion of a shop in Chepe with solars in the parish of S. Vedast. Also to his aforesaid wife his estate in a tenement in Mugwelstrete in the parish of S. Olave de Selverstrete. To the Abbot and Convent of Lesnes in the diocese of Rochester he leaves a tenement in Wodestret in the parish of S. Alphege within Crepulgate in frankalmoign. To Adam his brother ten pounds, and to the Prior and Convent of Charterhous

<sup>1</sup> Westerham, co. Kent.

a like sum. To Robert Wateville, goldsmith, a tenement in Aldirgastrete. Dated 1 February, 5 Richard II. [A.D. 1381-2].

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**Knyghtcote** (WILLIAM), mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Laurence in the Jewry. One half of his movable goods and chattels he leaves to his children, reserving the other to himself. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein. Instructions as to his funeral and observance of his month's mind, &c. Bequests also to divers orders of friars in London, to every anchorite in the City and suburbs of London, the old and new work of S. Paul's; also for the maintenance of chantry priests to celebrate in the churches of S. Mildred in Bredestrete and S. Martin Pomers for the good of his soul, the souls of Thomas de Cornerthe and Elena, wife of the same, and others; and of three other priests to celebrate in the churches of S. Laurence and S. Martin aforesaid, and also at Oxford if one of the priests should wish to study there. Numerous bequests to his friends, executors, servants, and others. John Otteley appointed guardian of his children during their minority, he giving surety at the Guildhall for safe-guarding their property. To his son and heir he leaves tenements in Colemanstrete, and a garden and dovecot in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, in tail; remainder to his other sons in successive tail; remainder to his daughters in similar succession; remainder in trust for sale for the good of his soul. Dated London, 23 August, A.D. 1382.

Roll 112 (8).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Sporier** (NICHOLAS) de Fletestrete.—Having already made his testament concerning his goods movable and immovable, he proceeds to publish his testament or last will concerning a certain rent of a tenement in Fletestrete, which he leaves for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Brigid for the souls of Thomas Bryx, Elena, wife of the same, Thomas de Banham, a former husband of the said Elena, and others. Dated at Fletestrete, 20 June, A.D. 1370.

Roll 112 (15).

**Cogenho** (NICHOLAS DE).—To be buried in the conventual church of S. Mary de Suthwerk. To Johanna his wife he leaves a

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sum of money and divers household chattels, also a certain annual rent of a tenement in Grobbestrete without Crepulgate. Dated London, Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June], A.D. 1383. Roll 112 (30).

**Stiward** (JOHN), girdler.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Laurence, Jewry. To Friar John de Jude de Houndeslawe forty pence. His tenement in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate to be sold by Cecilia his wife, to whom he leaves the residue of all his goods and chattels, movable and immovable. Dated at Houndeslawe, Sunday, IV. Nones August [10 Aug.], the first moon, A.D. 1383. Roll 112 (31).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Sloughtre** (THOMAS), called "Clench," fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Clement near Estchepe, to which church and ministers thereof he makes bequests. To Cristina his wife and to William his son he leaves all his store, vessels, and utensils appertaining to his household in equal portions, except his silver vessels, mazers, and *Nuts*. Of the last mentioned he leaves to his wife a *flatbiker* with covercle, spoons and salts of silver, two *Nuts* with silver stands and covercles, and three cups of mazer. To his aforesaid son a *biker* of silver, with covercle and super-covercle, charged with a *dolfyn*, twelve silver spoons, and his second best mazer. To Katherine his daughter a *biker* of silver with covercle similar to that left to his son, and six silver spoons with leopards' heads;<sup>1</sup> and to Walter his brother a piece of silver with covercle and a small mazer. Also to his said son he leaves a tenement in the lane and parish of S. Clement near Estchep, and a shop in Bruggestret in the parish of S. Magnus, in tail; remainder to Katherine his daughter in tail; remainder to the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Clement aforesaid and other pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Goda and Cristina his wives, and others. Releases Geoffrey Scut and Katherine, wife of the same, the testator's daughter, from the terms of a deed of conveyance upon payment of a certain sum of money. Dated London, 5 October, A.D. 1383. Roll 112 (59).

<sup>1</sup> *Cum capitis leopardis (sic).*

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

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**Bartyll (JOHN).**—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas Acon near Lombardstrete before the rood. To Matilda his wife he leaves all his tenements in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid for life, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said parish church for the good of his soul, the souls of Alexander Watford and Agnes, wife of the same, Bartholomew Changeour<sup>1</sup> and Sarah, wife of the same, and others; remainder to the rector of the said church and his successors in trust for similar uses. Dated London, 18 November, A.D. 1383.

Whereupon came Alice Busshe, sister of the testator, and put her claim upon the above testament, saying that her brother was seised only of certain lands and tenements in the aforesaid parish which Richard, son of Thomas le Maderman, had formerly given to Cristina de Canefeld for life, with remainder to Alexander de Watford and Agnes his wife in tail, with further remainder to the right heirs of the aforesaid Cristina, as appears by deed enrolled in the Husting for Common Pleas held on Monday next after the Feast of Purification of B. Mary [2 Feb.], 15 Edward II. [A.D. 1321-2];<sup>2</sup> and that another parcel of the same lands and tenements were given to the aforesaid Agnes, as wife of Alexander de Watford, and to the aforesaid Bartholomew Castilloun, by the name of Bartholomew Guid' de Florence, and to Sarah his wife and the heirs of the bodies of the said Bartholomew and Sarah, with remainder to the right heirs of the aforesaid Agnes, as appears by deed enrolled in the Husting for Pleas of Land held on Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.], 19 Edward II. [A.D. 1325].<sup>3</sup> She further said that the above Alexander de Watford and Agnes his wife had issue, viz., Sarah, wife of the aforesaid Bartholomew, and mother of John Bartyll and Alice Busshe. And the said Bartholomew and Sarah had issue, viz., John Bartyll and Alice, as is aforesaid. Accordingly after the decease of Bartholomew and Sarah the said John Bartyll entered upon the lands and tenements so entailed, and was seised of them until he conveyed them to William Estby, "Frenshebakere," and Margery his wife, long before the making of the above testament, against whom the said Alice had brought a writ and had recovered the said lands and tenements, as being the daughter and heiress of Bartholomew and Sarah. She now claimed to set aside the above

<sup>1</sup> His name appears as Bartholomew Guidonis de Castillon and also as Bartholomew Guidonis de Florence; a well-known money-changer and merchant of London. It also occurs in a letter from the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of London to the governor, bailiffs, and other officers of Count Hainault, re-

specting an attempt at extortion practised upon the Count de la Marche and Ponthieu by City tradesmen ('Calendar of Letters from the Mayor, &c., A.D. 1350-1370,' privately printed, p. 92). See note *supra*, p. 23.

<sup>2</sup> Roll 50 (86).

<sup>3</sup> Does not appear to be enrolled.

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testament as of no force, &c., and to have her claim entered of record, &c.

Roll 112 (74).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Shepeye** (PETER) of co. Kent.—Bequests to the ministers of the church of S. Dunstan towards the Tower, the churches of S. Leonard de Estchepe and of Bordon, co. Kent, and ministers of the same. Also for offering an image to the Blessed Mary of Suthwerk near Hampton, and for pilgrimages which he had promised to make thither; for a pilgrim to go on his behalf to S. James<sup>1</sup> in Galicia, in fulfilment of a vow which he had formerly made; and for celebration of masses within one month after his decease. To Johanna his wife for life all his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Dunstan and S. Leonard aforesaid; remainder to his heirs male; remainder to Ydonia and Alice his daughters for life; remainder to the use and maintenance of the church of S. Dunstan aforesaid. Dated London, 21 June, A.D. 1380.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Eyremyn** or **Ayremyn** (THOMAS DE).—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Brigid. To Isolda his wife all his lands and tenements in Fletestrete in the parish of S. Brigid near Fletebrigge for life; remainder to Sir William de Eyremyn, clerk. Dated London, the Vigil of Pentecost [29 May], A.D. 1384.

Roll 112 (127).

**Stokesby** (JULIANA, relict of WILLIAM DE, late vintner).—To be buried near her aforesaid husband in the church of S. Martin in the Vintry. Bequests to thirty honest chaplains without cures for celebrating a mass in churches named thirty continuous days after her decease, each chaplain receiving for his trental ten shillings; also to the mendicant friars in London, the inmates of various hospitals, the lepers of S. Giles's Hospital without Holbourne, at *la loke*, and near Hakeneye, the old and new work of S. Paul's Church, the repair of roads around London and in co. Essex, &c. To Richard Jolyf and Johanna his sister, her kinsfolk, William

<sup>1</sup> Santiago of Compostella, Spain.



Cornhull, William Broun de Loughton, and many others, she leaves sums of money and household goods, comprising beds, sheets, blankets, a *gown* furred with *Gris*,<sup>1</sup> two hoods, one of silk and the other of *paristhred*,<sup>2</sup> silver spoons, &c. Lapsed legacies are to fall into the residue. Provision made for torches and tapers, but other expenses relative to her funeral are not to exceed sixty shillings. The sum of two hundred pounds sterling to be laid out in the purchase of lands, tenements, and rents in the City of London for founding a chantry in the church of S. Martin aforesaid; and a tenement in Bowelane in the parish of S. Michael de Paternosterchirche in the Ryole to be sold in aid of the said chantry and for keeping her obit, &c. Dated London, Saturday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.], A.D. 1383.—By codicil attached she notifies the fact that Thomas Cornwaleys has two hundred pounds of her money kept in a strong box under her seal, and John Edrop the sum of two hundred pounds and one hundred marks. She also bequeaths casks of wine lying in her cellar, some of which she bought of Sir Nicholas Brembre, to Roger atte Horn and others; and sums of money to the houses of Berkyng, Haliwell, and Clerkenwell, to the poor sisters in the Hospital of S. Katherine near the Tower, to the work of the church of Southmynstre,<sup>3</sup> the house of S. Thomas de Acon, &c.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Heylesdon** (JOHN DE), mercer.—To be buried in the church of Heylesdon<sup>4</sup> near the tomb of his father and mother. Bequests to the said church of vestments and ornaments, the parishioners being bound to give security to the rector of the church for the time being for the safe custody of the same; also to the poor of the vill of Heylesdon and other villis adjoining, to every mendicant

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 215.

<sup>2</sup> This article of haberdashery is mentioned by Lydgate as offered for sale, among others, to the penniless citizen as he wanders through the City:—

Then into Chepe I gan me drawne,  
Where I sawe stond moche people;

One bad me come nere and by fine  
cloth of lawne,

*Paris thred*, cotton, and umple.

Lydgate's 'London Lickpenny.'

<sup>3</sup> Southminster, co. Essex.

<sup>4</sup> Hellesdon, co. Norfolk.

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friar in the cities of London and Norwich, to the old work of S. Paul's, to every rector in London for inserting his name in mortuary roll<sup>1</sup> (*in suis memoraliis*), to the high altars of the churches of H. Trinity the Less and S. Michael de Paternoster-cherche, &c.; also to Robert his brother, Margaret his sister, Alice and Margaret his daughters, and others. To John Chircheman and Sir Richard Tasburgh, rector of the church of Heylesdon, he leaves twenty marks annual quitrent of lands and tenements in the parish of All Hallows de Grascirche, on condition that they maintain thereout two perpetual chantries in the church of Heylesdon for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his wife, Walter de Berneye, Edmund de Alderford, John Chircheman and Emma, wife of the same, Thomas de Aldeburgh, and others. Johanna his wife to enjoy a life interest in the above lands and tenements, subject to the said charge, by way of dower of all his other lands and tenements, and also to have the sum of two hundred pounds sterling by way of dower of all his movable goods, in addition to her entire chamber, ornaments, and personal clothing. His said wife to accept the above in the name of dower, or to have what the law adjudges her. After her decease the aforesaid lands and tenements to go to Margaret his daughter in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. To Alice his daughter lands and tenements in the city of Norwich in tail, with similar remainder; also, under certain conditions, she is to have his tenements in Westchepe, London, called the "Crowned Seld"<sup>2</sup> (*la Selde coronata*). To Agnes, wife of Bartholomew Marche, rents in the parishes of S. Alban de Wodestrete and S. Giles without Crepulgate. Bequests also to poor lepers within three miles of London; for the redemption of poor prisoners in Ludgate and Neugate; to

<sup>1</sup> It was customary to keep a book containing the names of benefactors in a church or religious house, for the purpose of remembering them in prayers. The register of names so preserved was sometimes called the *Album*, but more often the Book of Life.

<sup>2</sup> Probably a seld or warehouse so called from its being the property of the Crown, for Stow records a grant by King Henry IV. to certain mercers of a shed or building with shops, &c., called "Crownsild," situate in the Mercery in

Westcheap, to be held by them in bur-  
gage, as all the City of London is held.  
The same chronicler further states that  
it was also known as "Tamersilde," not  
improbably a corruption of "Tanners'  
Seld," which at the beginning of the  
fourteenth century was situate near  
S. Laurence Lane in the Jewry, but at a  
later date is mentioned as being in  
Friday Street (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's  
ed., 1876, pp. 97, 102; Riley's 'Memo-  
rials,' Introd., p. xii).

his poor kinsfolk in Heylesdon and elsewhere, co. Norfolk; for putting poor scholars to school; for sending two pilgrims to Rome, there to remain in prayer throughout one Lent<sup>1</sup> (*per unam quadragesimam*); to the Carthusian monks near Westsmythfeld, the Nuns Minoresses without Algate, and the nuns of Shuldham;<sup>2</sup> to William Reve, rector of the church of Drayton, John and Thomas Tasburgh, Margaret, wife of Thomas Mounteneye, and others. Forty pounds, more or less, to be expended on his funeral. Dated London, 14 April, A.D. 1384. — By a codicil annexed he varies former bequests made in the case of either of his daughters dying under age. Roll 113 (1).

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NOTE.—The above will was made an exhibit in Chancery, *re* Attorney-General *v.* Fishmongers' Company.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Mordon** (SIMON DE), "stokfisshmonger."—To be buried in the church of S. Michael in *la Crokedlane*. Bequests to divers orders of friars, to the brethren and sisters of the hospitals of S. Katherine near the Tower and S. Mary without Bisshopesgate, the Abbot and Convent of Graces near the Tower, the hospitals of S. Mary de Bethlem, of Elsyng within Crepulgate, and S. Bartholomew in Smethfeld, the church of S. Thomas *de Acris*, &c. All his lands, tenements, &c., within the liberty of London, to be sold after the decease of Alice his wife, and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 7 April, A.D. 1383.

Roll 113 (24).

**Sebarn** (ROBERT), "ferroure."<sup>3</sup> — To be buried in the church or churchyard of S. Andrew at Castle Baynard, and for burial there he leaves three shillings and fourpence to the fabric of the belfry, and other sums to the ministers. To Alianora his wife all his tenements and rents in the City of London for life; remainder to William his son and Philippa his daughter in several tail. Also to his said wife his leasehold interest in a tenement in the parish

<sup>1</sup> Or for forty days.

<sup>2</sup> Shouldham, co. Norfolk, where there was a Gilbertine monastery for canons

and nuns under the government of a prior.

<sup>3</sup> Ironmonger.

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of S. Andrew aforesaid by demise of the Abbot and Convent of Berlynges.<sup>1</sup> Dated London, 13 August, A.D. 1384.

Roll 113 (25).

**Kelleshull** (WILLIAM DE), fishmonger.—To be buried in the churchyard of the conventual church of the Abbey of Lesnes,<sup>2</sup> to the abbot, prior, and canons of which he leaves sums of money. Bequests to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Nicholas Coldabbeye of certain rents in Oldefissstrete for the maintenance of tapers to burn for the souls of John de Triple, Katherine, Katherine, and Alice, wives of the said John, and others. To Agnes his wife he leaves one third part of all his chattels and her chamber; and to Katherine his daughter a sum of money, silver spoons, and other household goods. Sir Laurence his brother appointed one of his executors. Dated at his mansion house in the Abbey of Lesnes, Monday the Feast of S. Matthew, Apostle [21 Sept.], A.D. 1383. Roll 113 (28).

**Walsshe** (JOHN), goldsmith.—To be buried in the church of S. Swithun de Candelwykestrete near Margaret his late wife. Bequests to the church of S. Swithun, the light of the beam, its ministers, &c., the work of the belfry of the church of S. John Zacary and ministers of the same church, and to the mendicant friars in London for saying *Placebo* and *Dirige* on the eve of his burial, and for a trental of masses by each order on the day following. To Sir William Salesbury, chaplain, he leaves his leasehold interest in a shop in Westchepe in the parish of S. Matthew in Fridaystrete. To Agnes his wife a tenement in the parish of S. Swithun aforesaid for life; remainder to John, son of John Prentice and of Amicia, wife of the same, daughter of the aforesaid Margaret, in tail; remainder to the Fraternity of H. Trinity in the church of S. Mary de Abbecherche for the good of his soul, and the souls of Margaret his late wife and others. Also to John Prentice, draper, houses and a shop in the parish of S. Swithun, charged with the maintenance of a chantry priest in the said parish church for the space of ten years next after his

<sup>1</sup> Barlings, co. Linc. The abbey was originally situate at Barling Grange; afterwards removed to a place called Oxeney, in another part of the town.

Hence the abbey was sometimes called the Abbey of Oxeney or *De Oxeniaco*, but generally Barlings.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Kent.

decease. Also to Agnes his wife he leaves a tenement called "le belle on the hop" in the parish of S. Botolph without Bishshoppesgate for life; remainder to John Woleward and Johanna, wife of the same, daughter of Thomas Poyntel, late goldsmith; also rents issuing from the manor of Lachele, co. Essex, all goods appertaining to his (*sic*) chamber, and one half of all his other goods. Dated London, Saturday, 20 August, A.D. 1384.

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And be it remembered that although Adam Stedeman, scrivener, is named executor in the above will, the testator declared it was not his wish that the said Adam should be so named; and Adam himself voluntarily acknowledged this in full Husting, and further said that he would not administer any of the testator's goods, nor intermeddle, but he altogether renounced administration.

Roll 113 (32).

**Bydyk (JOHN)**, goldsmith.—To be buried in the church of S. Peter de Westchepe. To Alice his wife he leaves all the tenements descending to him upon the decease of Juliana his mother, situate in the parish of All Hallows de Fanchirche,<sup>1</sup> for life; remainder to Thomas his son in tail; remainder to Agnes his daughter for life; remainder in trust for sale by the wardens of the Goldsmiths for pious uses. Also to his aforesaid son he leaves a primer<sup>2</sup> of matins of the Blessed Mary. Dated London, 3 September, A.D. 1384.

Roll 113 (34).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Blanket (JOHN)**, skinner, of the parish of S. Swithin.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Swithin's in Candelwikstret, in his tomb situate "*in banco*," to the north of the same. Bequests to the said parish church and ministers of the same, and directions as to tapers at his funeral and subsequent disposal of them. Bequests for the maintenance of two chantries in the aforesaid church for the good of his soul, the souls of Walter his father, Cecilia his mother, and others; also to the new and old work of S. Paul's, to various orders of friars in London, to the inmates of hospitals, to prisoners in Neugate and the Marshalsea of Suthwerk, to every anchorite in London and the suburbs, &c.

<sup>1</sup> Perhaps All Hallows Staining.

<sup>2</sup> Or prymer; a service book containing the Little Office of Our Lady. The earliest trace of it is said to be about

the fourteenth century. At the Reformation it was curtailed, and edited thenceforth only in English instead of both Latin and English.

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To Thomas Joce, son of Margery his sister, he leaves a coat and hood, but without the fur belonging to them, in place of which he leaves a *furroure* of lambs-wool. The reversion of a tenement in Oldechaunge in the parish of S. Augustine near S. Paul's Gate to be sold, and one moiety of the proceeds to go to Sabine his wife, and the other to be devoted to pious uses. Dated London, 26 January, A.D. 1382. Roll 113 (42).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

**Coleman** (REGINALD, son of ROBERT, senior).—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Margaret de Lothebury at the foot of the image of S. Margaret. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, &c., and to divers orders of friars for their prayers; also to John Coleman, son of Robert his brother, and Sir Walter his brother, a monk of Bury St. Edmunds. Provision made for chantries in the aforesaid church for the good of his soul, the souls of Robert his father, Matilda his mother, his brothers, sisters, and others. To Matilda Hillary his niece he leaves forty shillings for the purchase of kerchiefs (*flamiola*). To the fabric of the church of Tolyton in co. Norfolk, where his father and mother lie buried, he leaves ten pounds, besides other sums to the vicar, and a gilt *coupe* for the Host to hang over the high altar.<sup>1</sup> To John his son two hundred pounds and four pieces of silver *platte* with two covercles, the said money to remain in the custody of Cristina his wife to assist in putting the said John to school during minority, without any account being rendered when his said son shall come of age. Bequests also to the Fraternity of the Resurrection of S. Paul for assisting poor brethren, to his apprentices and others. Also to his said wife he leaves a tenement in the parishes of S. Margaret de Lothebury and S. Stephen de Colemanstrete in fee, and another tenement in the first-named parish for life, with remainder to

<sup>1</sup> There was a custom, says Dr. Rock ('Textile Fabrics,' p. 107), during the Middle Ages in England, as well as in France and several other parts of the Continent, of keeping the Eucharist hung up over the high altar beneath a canopy, within a pyx (here represented by a *coupe*) of gold, silver, ivory, or

enamel, mantled with a fine linen cloth or veil. Among the goods and chattels of Richard II. in Haverford Castle forwarded by the Sheriff of Hereford to the Exchequer upon the accession of Henry IV. was "*j coupe d'or pour le corps Jesu Christi.*"

John his son in tail; remainder to pious uses. Dated London, Wednesday next after the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop [11 Nov.],  
A.D. 1383. Roll 113 (54).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Coggere (CRISTINA)**, of the parish of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate.—To be buried in the tomb of Roger Coggere her late husband in the said parish church. Bequests to Sir John Wolde, rector, and other ministers of the said church; to the fraternities of S. Mary and S. Katherine therein; to the Friars of the Holy Cross; to the poor in divers hospitals, the lepers living at Hakeney, at *le loke*, and near the Hospital of S. Giles; to poor prisoners in Neugate, the King's Marshalsea and King's Bench, &c. To John Denver and Cristina his wife she leaves a tenement in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid. To Thomas her brother, Margery Coggere, Agnes, daughter of Simon Coggere, Alice her sister, and others, she leaves sums of money and chattels, comprising silver cups and spoons. Dated London, 21 November, A.D. 1384.

Roll 113 (58).

*Monday next before the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

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**Horewode (WILLIAM)**.—His testament concerning his freeholds (*liberis tenementis*) in London. First, he leaves the tenement wherein he dwells in the parish of S. Michael le Quern to Johanna his wife for life; remainder to William his son and Agnes his daughter in successive tail; remainder over. To his executors and the churchwardens of the church of S. Michael he leaves an annual rent of six shillings and eightpence for the purpose of keeping his obit and other pious uses for the souls of Agnes his former wife, Johanna his wife, and others. Dated London, 16 November, A.D. 1382.

Roll 113 (70).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

**Spray (CLEMENT)**, mercer.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Michael de Bassyngeshawe. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein. His tenements in the parishes of S. Botolph without Aldresgate and S. Nicholas at the Shambles to be divided equally between Margaret and Elizabeth his daughters, who are

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to remain under the care of Isabella his wife during minority. The residue of his goods and chattels he leaves to his said wife without any inventory. Dated London, Wednesday the Feast of S. Thomas, Apostle [21 Dec.], A.D. 1384. Roll 113 (79).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Foot alias Maryns** (JOHN), apothecary. — To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard commonly called "Pardounchirchewawe." Bequests to the old and new work of S. Paul's, to the Fraternity of S. John of the Tailors of London, the Fraternity of S. Antonin of the Pepperers of London, the church of S. Mary Magdalen in Milkstrete and ministers therein, the fabric of the church of All Hallows in Honylane, to divers orders of friars in London, the poor inmates of hospitals and of the prison of Neugate, &c. Provision made for chantries in the church of S. Mary Magdalen aforesaid. To Christina atte Bowe he leaves a cup called "calixcoppe" with silver covercle standing upon lions silver-gilt, and one hundred shillings. To Mary his wife all his lands and tenements in London and suburbs for life; remainder, as to tenements in the parishes of All Hallows de Stanyngchirche and Fanchirche, to Edward his son in tail. To John his son the reversion of tenements in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate in tail. To his child *en ventre sa mère* lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Margaret in Briggestrete, in the lane called "Puddynghlane," of S. Martin in the Vintry, and of S. Nicholas Acon in the lane called "Seint Nicholaslane." Also to Mary his wife he leaves his leasehold interest in a tenement held under the Wardens of London Bridge in the parish of All Hallows de Honylane, and the terms of his apprentices; also lands and tenements in the parish of Cotenham, co. Cambridge, for life; remainder to John his son in tail; remainder to Edward his son in fee. Dated London, 14 March, A.D. 1381. Roll 113 (87).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Gille** (ROBERT), draper. — To be buried in the church of S. Christopher de Bradestret. Bequests to the said church and its



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ministers. His tenements in the parish of S. Andrew upon Cornhull, and his leaseholds in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate held under the Prior and Convent of Crichirche, London, to be sold, and two thirds of the proceeds to go to Auncelina his wife, and the remainder to Isabella his daughter. The residue of his goods and chattels, after payment of debts and funeral expenses, to be divided between his said wife and daughter in similar proportion. Dated London, 6 September, A.D. 1385.

Roll 114 (21).

**Glemesford (RICHARD)**, "felmongere."—To be buried in the church of S. Stephen de Colmanstret. Bequests to the said church, including a book called "Antiphon,"<sup>1</sup> to ministers thereof, and the Fraternity of S. Stephen therein; also to the Fraternity of the Skinners of London, the old work of S. Paul's, divers orders of friars in London, &c. Provision made for tapers at funeral, and for chantries in the aforesaid church for the good of his soul, the souls of Juliana his wife and others. Bequests also to Alice his mother, John, Thomas, and Robert his brothers, Isabella his sister, and others. Certain tenements in the parish of S. Stephen de Colmanstret to be sold immediately after the decease of Juliana his wife, and a portion of the proceeds to be expended in the purchase of two *cantelcopes*,<sup>2</sup> a Legend,<sup>3</sup> and a chalice for the church of S. Stephen aforesaid, a missal for the use of the church of Glemesford,<sup>4</sup> where his father lies buried, and a chalice for the church of S. Thomas de Acon, the residue of the proceeds being devoted to other pious and charitable uses for the good of his soul in the church of S. Stephen aforesaid. Dated London, 16 January, A.D. 1384.

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*Monday the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Coggeshale (JOHN DE)**, corder, of the parish of S. Margaret de Briggstret.—To be buried before the altar of S. Peter in the said parish church in the tomb which he had caused to be made there.

<sup>1</sup> Or antiphonar, an anthem book, so called from the alternate repetitions and responses ('Catholicon Angl.').

<sup>2</sup> Choir copes or copes canonical such as are now used in churches (Rock's Church of our Fathers,' vol. ii. pp.

24-5). Others identify them with dalmatics or maniples (Wright's 'Vocab.,' p. 231).

<sup>3</sup> Commonly known as Legends of the Saints.

<sup>4</sup> Co. Suffolk.

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Bequests to the said church, to every anchorite in the City, to every lazar house within two miles of the City, prisoners of Neugate, &c. Provision made for torches and tapers at his funeral, and subsequent disposal of the same. To Juliana his wife he leaves all his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Margaret de Briggstret, S. Botolph near Billyngesgate, and S. Andrew Huberd near Esthep for life, so that his said wife maintain a chantry in the church of S. Margaret aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Thomas his father, Amicia his mother, Juliana his late wife, and others, and provide two tapers to hang in basins (*in duabus pelvis*) before the altars of S. Mary and S. Margaret in the same church; remainder to the rector and parishioners of the same and their successors in trust for similar uses; and in default the same lands and tenements are to go to the Mayor and Commonalty of London and the Wardens of London Bridge and their successors for the maintenance of the said bridge and of two chantry priests in the chapel of S. Thomas thereon, and subject also to certain payments to the Prior and Convent of the Charter House, and pittance (*pitanciariis*) of London. Dated London, Thursday the Feast of Nativity of V. Mary [8 Sept.], A.D. 1384. — Also to the respective abbeys of Westminster, S. Alban, Stratford, Coggeshale, and Malverne he leaves divers chattels, comprising *dorsers*, *costers*, and *quysshyns*, with figures of peacocks and other animals worked in tapestry thereon, a pair of *Trussyng-kofrers*,<sup>1</sup> a halling of Worstede stained with divers beasts, *dorsers* and *bankers* ornamented with angels and knights, *quysshyns* marked with his sign (*signo meo*), a great chest of Gascony formerly belonging to his father, &c. Roll 114 (39).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin* [25 Nov.].

**Crede** (ROGER), draper. — To be buried in the church of S. Katherine within the churchyard of the Priory of Christchurch, London, so that his body lie before the altar of S. Michael there to be erected. Bequest to each convent of the four orders of mendicant friars in London; to the hospitals of Hakeneye, S. Giles, and *le loke*; to the work of S. Michael's Chapel about to be erected near the church of S. Katherine aforesaid, &c. Also if he happen

<sup>1</sup> Chests for packing goods.

not to go to Rome before he dies he leaves ten marks for some honest man to go there on his behalf and there remain, visiting the stations (*stationes ituro*) and praying for his soul, throughout Lent (*per totam quadragesimam*). To Agnes his sister and to her husband he leaves money and clothes. To Katherine his wife all his lands and tenements at the corner of Belyeteres-lane<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Katherine aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds devoted to the poor in the hospitals and streets, and to the maintenance of chantries. Dated London, 12 January, A.D. 1383. Roll 114 (56).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

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**Walleworth<sup>2</sup>** (WILLIAM DE), Knt.—To Margaret his wife all his lands, tenements, &c., in the City of London for life, for the maintenance of chantries in the church of S. Michael in *le Croked-lane* for the good of his soul, the souls of John Lovekyn, late his master, and for the good estate of the said Margaret during lifetime. After her decease certain tenements opposite *le ledenhall* in the parish of S. Peter de Cornehull and elsewhere, and rents in the parish of S. Andrew in the Ward of Baynardescastel, are to remain to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael aforesaid for the maintenance of chantries; remainder in case of default to the Prior and Convent of the Carthusian House of the Salutation of the B.V. Mary near London for similar uses, with power to his right heirs to enter in case of default. Also to the said prior and convent he leaves the reversion of tenements in the parish of S. Christopher in Bradestrete, in return for their prayers. Dated 20 December, 9 Richard II. [A.D. 1385].

Roll 114 (70).

NOTE.—The above will was produced in Chancery on behalf of the defendant in *Attorney-General v. Fishmongers' Company*.

*Monday next before the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

**Harengeye** (EDMUND), leather merchant of the parish of

<sup>1</sup> Now Billiter Street; formerly the home of the bellzetters or bell-founders.

<sup>2</sup> First mentioned in the City Records as the successor of John Lovekyn, stockfishmonger, to whom he had been apprenticed, in the Aldermanry of Bridge Ward in 1368; Sheriff, 1370; Mayor in 1374 and again in 1381, when he slew Wat Tyler in Smithfield, for which he was knighted.

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S. Alphege within Crepulgate.—To be buried in the said parish church. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, the rood light upon the beam, and the light of S. Katherine therein; to the five orders of friars in London, and the three houses for lepers near London; to the fabric of the church of Stoknewenton, the Prior and Canons of Elsyngspitel, &c. His tenement in the parish of S. Botolph without Aldrichesgate, situate in the street called “Barbican,” and another tenement called “le Pye on the hop,” situate also in Barbican in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, and other tenements, together with the great gate (*cum magno portu*) called “le Brodegate” in the same street and parish, he devises to be sold for payment of debts and legacies. To Isabella his wife he leaves a certain tenement in the parish of S. Alphege aforesaid absolutely, and another tenement in the street called “Babeloyne” beyond the City wall (*per murum civitatis London*) for life; remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of chantries in the said church of S. Alphege for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes, Alice, and Isabella his wives, and others. Bequests also to Agnes his kinswoman, wife of Geoffrey Grigge, Robert atte Grove, Alice Callestere, wife of William atte Broom, his servants, and others, comprising various sums of money, his best slop<sup>1</sup> (*sloppam*) with hood, and his cloak (*colobium*<sup>2</sup>) of *Faldyng*.<sup>3</sup> Dated London, 26 September, A.D. 1385.—Also to the old work of S. Paul’s and the Fraternity of S. Mary le Bow he leaves six shillings and eightpence respectively.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*

**Godfrey** (THOMAS), called “Cartere,” “whittawyer.”—To be buried before the entrance of the church of All Hallows, London Wall. Bequests to the said church, the church of S. Stephen in

<sup>1</sup> Or smock-frock; the term was also applied to a cloak or mantle (Halliwell). In Chaucer’s time *sloppis* meant a kind of breeches. “Slops” in the present day is the vulgar term for any cheap or ready-made clothing, but more particularly for sailors’ working clothes, which are of a very coarse and inexpensive character.

<sup>2</sup> *Collobium* is translated in Neckam’s vocabulary (ed. by Thomas Wright) both as *froge* (frock) and *roket* (rochet); whilst in a metrical vocabulary of the fourteenth century, and in a ‘Nominale’ of the fifteenth century, it is a synonym for *taberde*. See also note *supra*, p. 140.

<sup>3</sup> See note *supra*, p. 91.

Colmanstrete, and to each order of friars in London for two trentals of masses for the good of his soul and the souls of others. Provision also made for a chantry in the church of All Hallows aforesaid. To Juliana his wife, Simon his wife's son, Walter his wife's brother, his two sisters [not named], and others, he leaves sums of money and chattels. Also to his said wife his dwelling-house for life; remainder to his infant *en ventre sa mère* in tail; remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of chantries in the church of S. Stephen de Colmanstrete. Dated London, Monday next before the Feast of S. Laurence, Martyr [10 Aug.], A.D. 1358. Roll 114 (96).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

**Frowyk** (HENRY), of co. Middlesex.—To be buried in the churchyard of Southmymes near his father. His goods and chattels, after payment of debts, to be divided into two parts, one part to go to his executors for the good of his soul and the souls of Henry Frowyk his grandfather and others, and the other part to Alice<sup>1</sup> his wife for the maintenance of herself and children. Out of his own share (*de parte mea*) he leaves sums of money to the Vicar of Mymmes, the work of Munkeschurche,<sup>2</sup> Sir John the priest of Haddeley, and others. Also to his said wife he leaves all his rents in the parishes of Mylkestrete and Honylane for life, for the maintenance of a priest for ten years next after his decease to pray for him and others; after her decease the same to remain to Henry and Robert his sons in successive tail. Also to the said Henry he leaves his rents in the parish of "Seynt Gilys" called "le Barbican," and others at the corner of Goderlane, in tail; remainder to the aforesaid Robert. Also to the said Henry a rent issuing from a tenement called "le Chage" in the parish of Bassigeshawe. To John Lax, John Muscham, and others, various sums of money. Dated at Southmymes, Tuesday next after the Feast of S. Michael [29 Sept.], 8 Richard II. [A.D. 1384].

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<sup>1</sup> Daughter and heiress of John Cornwall of Willesden. She afterwards married Thomas Charlton of Oldfold | (Cass's 'South Mimms,' London and Middlesex Archæol. Soc., pp. 80-81).

<sup>2</sup> Monken Hadley.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Merk** (JOHN), blader.—To be buried in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate. To the new fabric on the south side of the said church he leaves a *fother* of lead. Margaret his wife to maintain a chantry in the said church for life. To his said wife he leaves all his lands and tenements in the City of London and suburbs for life, except a garden in Goldynglane in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid, which he leaves to Alice his daughter; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, in the parish aforesaid, 5 March, A.D. 1383. Roll 114 (105).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Bury** (ADAM DE), formerly Mayor of the City of London,<sup>1</sup>—To be buried in a chapel lately erected near the north door of S. Paul's, behind the cross before the altar of the Blessed Mary Magdalen about to be erected there. Chantries to be provided in the said chapel. If the Dean and Chapter of the Church of London (*sic*) will undertake to provide three chaplains for the purpose, he leaves to them all his lands, tenements, and certain rents in the parishes of S. Stephen upon Walbrok and S. Mary de Wolchirchewawe, and in case of their refusal the same are to go to his executors for the like purpose. The sum of one hundred pounds sterling left for funeral expenses. Bequests to each of the four orders of mendicant friars in the City and to each hospital for lepers. Dated at Combe in the diocese of Rochester, 5 November, A.D. 1385.—Also to Sir Roger Holm,<sup>2</sup> Canon of S. Paul's, he leaves all his lands, tenements, &c., in the vill of Calais.

Whereupon came Andrew Cavendysssh, Knt., and Roesia, wife of the same, daughter of the testator, and put their claim upon

<sup>1</sup> In 1364-5, and again in 1373, having previously served as Sheriff in 1349. A member of the Fraternity of Skinners. An abstract of his will is printed in the Appendix to the Ninth Report of the Hist. MSS. Com. (p. 48 a), from the archives of S. Paul's Cathedral.

<sup>2</sup> At one time Chancellor of S. Paul's. From his having contributed largely to the cost of erecting the chapel here mentioned, and increased the number of

chantry priests, it came to be known as Holmes College, the statutes of which are preserved among the archives of S. Paul's, as also is a deed of gift in 1448 to the altar of S. James and S. Laurence in the chapel commonly called "Holme Chapell" (Hist. MSS. Com. Appendix to Ninth Report, p. 55 b). The college was suppressed in the reign of Edward VI.

certain rents, as appears at the Husting for Pleas of Land held on Monday next before the Feast of S. Edmund the King [20 Nov.], 10 Richard II. [1386], where the said claim is entered.<sup>1</sup> A.D.  
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*Monday next after F. of Annunciation of V. Mary [25 March].*

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**Atte Naps** (THOMAS), "frutour."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Katherine Colman in Fanchirchestrete, near the tomb of Johanna his late wife. Bequests to the said church, to the Order of Friars Preachers for chanting a trental of masses called "S. Gregory's trental," and other orders of friars in London. His lands, tenements, and rents in the parish of S. Katherine aforesaid to be sold immediately after his decease for pious uses. To Alice his wife, Simon White, "frutour," William atte Naps his brother, Walter Skynner, Alice his daughter, and others, he leaves sums of money and chattels, including silver plate, mazer cups, scales, *paniers*, &c. Also to Alice his wife and to Thomas Hamond his kinsman he leaves tenements in "Cyvyndonelane"<sup>2</sup> in the parish of All Hallows de Berkyngchirche, to hold absolutely. Dated London, 12 September, A.D. 1385.

Roll 114 (120).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Ambrose [4 April].*

**Pecche** (JOHN).—To be buried in the parish church of Lullyng-gustone.<sup>3</sup> To Sir William, his son and heir, Knt., he leaves all his lands, tenements, &c., within the City of London and without, to hold in tail; remainder in trust for sale for the good of his soul. To Mary his wife all her apparel appertaining to her chamber. Dated London, Sunday next after the Feast of H. Trinity [20 May], 3 Richard II. [A.D. 1380].

Roll 114 (121).

**Harengeye** (ISABELLA, relict of EDMUND).—To be buried in the church of S. Alphege within Crepulgate. Bequests to the said

<sup>1</sup> Common Pleas Roll CIX., where the claim is recorded as having been made within a year and a day after probate of the testament, according to the custom of the City, and was to the following effect, viz., that Adam de Bury stood seised of certain tenements in the parish of S. Stephen upon Walbrook in tail, upon which there was a charge of certain rents. These rents the said

Adam had redeemed, but nevertheless bequeathed the same, although they had become extinct; the aforesaid claimants, therefore, asked to hold the said tenements by right of inheritance free of the above charge, and that the will of the testator should not in this respect have effect.

<sup>2</sup> Seething Lane.

<sup>3</sup> Co. Kent.

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church, its ministers, rood light, and light of S. Katherine therein; to the old work of S. Paul's, to each of the five orders of mendicant friars in London, to Elsyngspitel and other hospitals and lazarus-houses around London, &c. A certain tenement situate in Babeloyne in the parish of S. Alphege to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to the maintenance of a chantry priest in the said parish church for the good of her soul, the souls of her husband, John her father, and others. To William Ockle her kinsman, Alice Callesterre, Isabella, daughter of William Profot, her god-daughter, Isabella, daughter of William Placydacy, Johanna Pouleshunte, and others, she leaves sums of money, silver plate, and clothes, comprising a gown of blue with black fur, and a tunic with fur and hood. Dated London, 18 January, A.D. 1385.—Also she wills that she have two wax tapers, one at her head, the other at her feet, and that her corpse or coffin lie above ground. To her mother she leaves three pairs of sheets; and to Margery, daughter of Richard Harengaye, a sum of money and a tunic of russet, &c. Roll 114 (125).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

**Phippe (JOHN)**, "curreour."—To be buried in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate. Bequests to the said church, ministers, lights, &c., thereof; also to Friar William his son, of the Order of Friars Minors, Margery atte Stone, Leticia Fysshe, and others. To Beatrix his wife he leaves a certain tenement in *le Morestrete* in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid for life; remainder to Thomas and Stephen his sons. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves a certain other tenement in the same street for life, the same to be sold after her decease and a portion of the proceeds delivered to Thomas, Stephen, and John his sons, and the residue given to the poor. A tenement called "le horn on the hope" in *Fletestrete*, parish of S. Dunstan, to be sold after his decease, and certain sums out of the proceeds to go to his aforesaid wife, Elizabeth his daughter, Agnes Clay de Enefeld, and others. Directions as to tapers to burn on the day of his funeral and his month's mind. Bequests to the five orders of friars in London, to Stephen Mody, Robert de Huntynghon, scrivener, and others. Dated London, 16 January, A.D. 1385. Roll 114 (126).



**Lemman** (NICHOLAA, relict of JOHN, late butcher).—To be buried in the church of S. Leonard de Estchepe. Bequests to ministers of the said church and others, to divers orders of friars, to the house of S. Mary de Bedlem without Bissshopesgate, and to the Prior and Convent of the Hospital of S. Mary without Bissshopesgate, for pious uses for the good of her soul, the souls of John her father, Alice her mother, John her husband, Richard and Cecilia his father and mother, and others. A tenement in the parish of S. Andrew Huberd to be sold; a portion of the proceeds to be disposed of as directed, the residue going to the Fraternity of the Blessed Mary in the church of S. Leonard aforesaid. To Coletta, daughter of Thomas Ricard and of Alice his wife, she leaves a certain shop in the parish of S. Leonard; and to Alice, daughter of William Maldon, a shop adjoining “le Cok on the hop” in Estchep in the same parish. Also to Thomas Ricard, John Wodelee, William Benhale, and others, she leaves sums of money and household goods. Dated London, 10 February, A.D. 1383.—Also to the rood light in the church of S. Leonard she leaves ten shillings, and to the light of S. Katherine and S. Nicholas therein five shillings. Roll 114 (127).

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**Bury** (BLASE DE), skinner.—To be buried in the church of S. Stephen in Walbrok near his father. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein. To John Berkyng, skinner, he leaves John Musshebroun his apprentice, to bring up in the skinners’ craft. To Friar Thomas his brother one hundred shillings. To Robert Broun a tunic and hood, party black cloth and *murre*,<sup>1</sup> and his best cloak (*collobium*). To the aforesaid John Musshebroun a tunic and hood, party russet cloth and *Raye*,<sup>2</sup> and a cloak of *brown murre* and *Redmelle*.<sup>3</sup> To William Musshebroun a tunic and hood of *la liverie* of Walbrok. To Amicia his wife a tenement for life. To Matilda Penne de Wodestrete he leaves Robert Broun his apprentice, she to teach the said Robert her craft. Dated London, 5 May, A.D. 1386.

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<sup>1</sup> A dark red colour.

<sup>2</sup> Striped cloth.

<sup>3</sup> Red medley; medley being a cloth made of mixed materials.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Mordon** (THOMAS), "chaundeler."—To be buried in the Monastery of S. Saviour of Faversham. To the Fraternity of S. Katherine in the church of S. Botolph near Bilingisgate he leaves forty shillings. To William Mordon his brother ten marks. To the Abbot and Convent of Lesnes a certain tenement in Wodstret in the parish of S. Alphege within Crepelgate. The residue of his goods, movable and immovable, he leaves to Cristina his wife. Dated the morrow of the Feast of S. Mark, Evangelist [25 April], A.D. 1385. Roll 114 (150).

**Herkestede** (WILLIAM), grocer (*grossar*).—To be buried near Agnes his late wife outside the entrance of the church of S. Antonin, London. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, to each house of the five orders of mendicant friars in London, and to the old work of S. Paul's. The reversion of a certain tenement in Sopereslane in the parish of S. Antonin, after a term of years, he leaves to William, Johanna, and Margaret, his children begotten of Johanna his late wife, subject to certain charges for pious uses. Also to Johanna his daughter, wife of Henry Quyssh, a tenement in the vill of Southwerk. Also to each of his four children, viz., Thomas, William, Johanna, and Margaret, begotten of Johanna his late wife, he leaves twenty pounds sterling, and all jewels and necessities appertaining to his house in equal portions. Guardian appointed for his children. The residue of his goods to be divided into two parts, whereof one part is to be devoted to the maintenance of chantry priests in the church of S. Antonin, and the other to be distributed among the poor. Dated London, Tuesday the Feast of S. Cuthbert, Bishop and Confessor [20 March], A.D. 1385.—In a schedule annexed there are divers bequests of money and chattels, comprising furred clothing called "Gounes," to Johanna his eldest daughter and others. His son Thomas to have the utensils of his shop if, after coming of age, his said son follow his trade. To William Cheyne, Recorder of London, he leaves his silver water-dish (*aquarium*).

Roll 114 (157).

**Wodestoke** (JOHN DE), brewer.—To be buried near Rosa his late wife within the south entrance to the parish church of S. Botolph

without Bisshopesgate. Bequests to the said church, its high altar, ministers, and lights therein; also to four orders of mendicant friars in London for masses, &c. Agnes his wife to have a life interest in his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid, the reversion of which is to be sold within a year after his decease, one moiety of the proceeds going to his said wife for her own use, and the residue being devoted to pious uses. Dated London, 13 October, A.D. 1384. Roll 114 (165).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Tours (JOHN)**, draper.—To Dionisia his wife he leaves his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermanbury absolutely. His leasehold interest in another tenement in the same parish to be sold, and twenty marks of the proceeds to go to the Prioress and Convent of Halywell, and the residue devoted to pious and charitable uses. To the rector and parishioners of S. Mary aforesaid he leaves a tenement in the same parish for the maintenance of the beam light in the said parish church. The reversion of two shops in Westchepe near the church of S. Peter he leaves to the rector of the church of S. Mary aforesaid and to Nicholas Oundell, chaplain of the perpetual chantry founded in the said church by Isabella, daughter of William Bokerell, in aid of the said chantry. Dated London, 28 July, A.D. 1386.

Roll 115 (42).

**Loryng (NIGEL)**, Knight.—To be buried in the conventual church of the Order of S. Augustine at Dunstaple in the diocese of Lincoln, near his wife [not named], who is there buried. His mansion and shops, &c., in the parish of S. Andrew near Baynardescastell to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Dated 12 March, A.D. 1385.

Roll 115 (44).

*Monday before the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Fryth (WILLIAM)**, "stokfisshmonger."—To be buried in the Col-

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legiate Church of S. John the Baptist at Sottesbrok,<sup>1</sup> co. Berks, to the warden and brethren of which he leaves a sum of money charged on his lands and tenements in Birchenlane in the parish of S. Edmund the King in Lumbardstret, on condition that they maintain two perpetual chantries for the good of his soul. To William Hyde, grocer, he leaves all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, as well within the liberty of the City as without in the county of Middlesex. Desires his trustees of certain lands and tenements in the county of Cambridge to sell the same for payment of his debts. To William Derby de Sidingbourne, co. Kent, and Mary, wife of the same, and the heirs of the body of the said Mary, he leaves all his lands and tenements, with meadows, &c., called "le Grene," in the parish of Shorne, co. Kent; remainder to William Hyde aforesaid. To John Frith his tenement in the parish of S. Andrew upon Cornhull. All his other lands and tenements in co. Kent or elsewhere to be sold for pious uses. Bequests to the rector and church of S. Martin Orgar, the rectors of the churches of S. Michael in Crokedlane and All Hallows the Less in *la Roperie*, and to the church of Newenham, co. Kent; also to divers orders of friars, and to the recluse monk at Westminster. Dated London, 10 July, A.D. 1386. Roll 115 (52).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

Maynarde (GEOFFREY), "couper."—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "le Pardounechirchewawe" under the marble slab where lies the body of Margaret his late wife. Bequests to the old and new work of S. Paul's, the church of All Hallows at the Hay, the ministers and Fraternity of S. Katherine therein; also to William Alom and Johanna, wife of the same, his daughter, Johanna Whyteman his sister, his servants, apprentices, and others. Provision made for a chantry in the church of All Hallows aforesaid. To Idonia his wife he leaves his tenements in the street of the Vintry in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid for life; remainder

<sup>1</sup> Shottesbrook; where there was a chantry or college, consisting of a warden, five priests, and two clerks, founded in 1337 in honour of S. John Baptist (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.,' p. 20). A

grant of a message and shops in "Birchenlane" was made to the college in 1398 for the maintenance of a chantry by William Hyde and another —Hust. Roll 127 (33).

to Johanna his daughter in tail; remainder in trust for sale, the proceeds of which are to be divided into three parts, and devoted to the maintenance of chantries, to the redemption of poor debtors in prison, and to the assistance of the poor and sick. Dated London, Tuesday next after the Feast of the Nativity of B.V. Mary [8 Sept.], A.D. 1386. Roll 115 (126).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

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**Vanner** (ROBERT), vintner.—Bequest to the high altar of the church of S. Katherine within the churchyard of H. Trinity the Great, London. To Agnes his wife he leaves a tenement in Bowe-lane in the parish of S. Michael de Paternosterchirche for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, Tuesday next before the Feast of S. Edward, King and Confessor [5 Jan.], A.D. 1374. Roll 115 (174).

**Dawbeny** (STEPHEN), skinner, of the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhill.—To be buried in S. Katherine's Chapel in the said parish church, in front of his accustomed seat. Bequests to the said church, and also for funeral expenses, tapers, &c. A cloth of russet, of the value of four pounds sterling, to be placed upon his corpse, and after his burial the same to be made up into coats for the needy. Bequests also to the work of the south entrance of S. Paul's Church, to various hospitals in London, to the work of London Bridge and of the bridge at Rochester, to prisoners in Newegate, his servants, and others. To William Dawbeney senior, skinner, he leaves a certain tenement in the street of Cornhill in the parish of S. Christopher de Bradestrete. To Walter Pykenham and Thomas Kent, skimmers, all his tenements and a garden in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate in trust for sale for the good of his soul and for the maintenance of the children of William Dawbeney aforesaid. Dated London, 13 August, A.D. 1386. Roll 115 (175).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Bleseworth** (LAURENCE), vintner.—To be buried in the church

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of S. Athelburga near Johanna his late wife. Bequests to the said church and ministers of the same. To Alice his wife he leaves a tenement with shops in the parish of S. Athelburga for life; remainder to Agnes his daughter in tail; ultimate remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Also to his said daughter divers household chattels, including a *coverlit* and *tester* of red material worked with unicorns, another *coverlit* and *tester* of green and grey, and three pieces of tapestry of blue worked with grey *treyfeylis*,<sup>1</sup> two silver cups with two saucers<sup>2</sup> to match, two *masers*, neither of his best nor of his worst, &c., also all his cattle and growing crops upon his manor of *la lye*. To Hugh his bailiff on his manor in the vill of Enfeld, and to Johanna, wife of the same, he leaves two cows and two quarters of wheat, and a gown furred with foynes<sup>3</sup> (*cum funis*). To other servants divers bequests, including furred gowns, a silver girdle with baselard arrayed with silver, a white horse with saddle and bridle, &c. Dated London, 28 October, A.D. 1386. Roll 116 (3).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter ad Vincula [1 Aug.].*

Warbulton (ROBERT).—Makes his testament as to those tenements in the City of London which formerly belonged to John Aubrey, and of which he had been enfeoffed jointly with others. His share in the said tenements he leaves to William Parker and Dionisius Lopham until such time as his executors have been repaid the sum of eighty pounds disbursed by him in various ways on behalf of the said John Aubrey, after which his said share is to be surrendered to his joint feoffees to carry out the terms of John Aubrey's will. Dated London, 11 June, 10 Richard II. [A.D. 1387]. Roll 116 (25).

Pole (KATHERINE DE LA).—All her lands, tenements, &c., in the parishes of S. Laurence in the Old Jewry, S. Nicholas at the Shambles, S. Mary Magdalen near Oldefisshestrete, and S. Bene-

<sup>1</sup> Trefoil; cf. a bequest made by Thomas Tvokey in 1418 (printed by Dr. Furnivall, 'Early English Wills,' p. 36) —"and coverlet of þe same wrought wit mapil leues and fret of iij foill."

<sup>2</sup> *Cum drabus scutis*. One of the meanings of *scutum* is that of a vessel

put under hanging lamps to catch any drops of oil (D'Ardis's 'Lexicon').

<sup>3</sup> The fur of the wood or beech marten; according to some, of the polecat or fitchet (Way's 'Prompt. Parv.,' s.v. "Fooyne").

dict near Pauleswharf at "Petrelanehende," to be sold for pious uses. Dated London, 16 June, 10 Richard II. [A.D. 1387].—Richard Forster, one of her executors, to have the right of preemption of her tenements at Petrelanehende by ten pounds.

Roll 116 (28).

**Pole** (KATHERINE DE LA), citizen and free-woman of the City of London.—Another testament, as to her tenement in Philippslane near the Hospital of S. Mary de Elsyngspitell within Crepulgate, which she leaves to the prior, canons, and convent of the said hospital in frankalmoign, desiring them to observe her obit as directed. Each inmate of the hospital attending the service to receive sixpence, as well as those prevented by illness from so attending; the canons themselves receiving six shillings and eightpence to expend, after their labour, in their refectory by way of common pittance. Dated London, Tuesday, 2 July, 11 Richard II. [A.D. 1387].

Roll 116 (29).

*Monday next after F. of Translation of S. Edward, K. [13 Oct.].*

**Rydere** (ROBERT), "Brasier."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Andrew upon Cornhull. Bequests to the said church of S. Andrew, its ministers, light of S. Mary, &c., therein. To Cristina his wife all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for pious and charitable uses for the good of his soul, the souls of his father and mother, Katherine, Alice, and Cristina his wives, twenty pounds of the proceeds going to Sir John Rider, chaplain, the testator's son, for prayers for his soul. Dated London, 10 January, A.D. 1386.

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*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

**Doget** (WALTER), vintner.—Testament concerning his tenements in the City of London. To Alice his wife he leaves his leasehold interest in a certain tenement in the parish of S. Leonard de Estchep, held for eighty years under the Prioress of the house of S. John the Baptist at Haliwell near London; so that his said wife maintain a chantry in the aforesaid parish church during her lifetime for the good of the souls of Thomas his father, Leticia his mother, John de Croidon and Cristina, wife of the same, John

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Doget, and others; remainder after the decease of his said wife to John his son in tail; remainder to the rector and parishioners of S. Leonard aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his wife, Thomas, Thomas (*sic*), Lucy, Robert, and John his children, John Doget his grandfather, Agnes his grandmother, and others. Also to the rector and parishioners aforesaid and their successors he leaves an annal rent issuing from a certain messuage and shop in the said parish, on condition that they provide tapers to burn before his tomb on the day of the Preparation (*per diem paraseve*) and following days, and afterwards in the chapel of the Blessed Mary in the said church. The said messuage and shop to go to John his son, saving the aforesaid rent, in tail after the decease of his wife; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses as aforesaid. Also to Alice his wife he leaves tenements and reversions in the parish of S. George near Estchep and elsewhere for life; remainder to John his son in tail; remainder to pious uses. Also to his said son he leaves tenements and reversions in the parishes of S. Bartholomew the Less<sup>1</sup> and S. Margaret de Briggestrete, provision being made for safe custody of the same during minority; also his mansion house in the parish of S. Leonard aforesaid, and shops in the aforesaid parish of S. Margaret, to hold according to the terms of the testament of Thomas Doget his late father, enrolled in the Husting for Common Pleas held on Monday next before the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.], 26 Edward III. [A.D. 1351-2].<sup>2</sup> Another testament concerning his chattels referred to. Also to Alice his wife certain rents for life in the parish of S. Magnus the Martyr of Bryggestrete; remainder to Walter Broun, rector of the said parish church, and others. The Mayor and Recorder of the City to superintend the sale of certain tenements and rents, for which each is to receive one hundred shillings. Dated London, 20 July, 49 Edward III. [A.D. 1375].

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**Mordon** (ALICE, relict of SIMON DE, late "stokfisshmongere").  
—To be buried in the church of S. Michael in *la Cokedlane*.

<sup>1</sup> Meaning Little S. Bartholomew, or  
S. Bartholomew by the Exchange.

<sup>2</sup> Part I. p. 659.



Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, the old and new work of S. Paul's, the five orders of mendicant friars in London, the inmates of various hospitals and the poor sick on beds (*in grabatis*) within the City and suburbs of London, and the lepers at *le loke*, near Hakeneye, and near the Hospital of S. Giles without Holbourne. To Sir William de Walworth, Knt., she leaves her best girdle, and to Dame Margaret his wife her best jewel. Bequests also to Johanna her kinswoman, to the child of Thomas de Fulham by the said Johanna, John Olyver, her servants, and others. All her lands, tenements, &c., in the City and suburbs to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to the maintenance of chantry priests in the churches of S. Michael in Crookedlane and S. Michael upon Cornhull, and to providing marriage portions for poor girls, educating poor boys, the relief of debtors, repair of roads, and similar charitable uses. Dated London, Friday the Feast of SS. Tiburoius and Valerian [11 Aug.], A.D. 1385. A.D.  
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*Monday next before F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Mordon (JOHN)**, called "Rothyngge," stockfishmonger.—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Mary atte Hill. Matilda his wife to take the issues and profits of all his tenements in the parish of S. Edmund the King in Lumbardestret until his son Henry come of age; and if the said Henry die during minority, then until his son John come of age. If both sons die without issue of their bodies, the said tenements are to go to the Mayor and Commonalty of London, and to the Wardens of London Bridge for the time being and their successors, for the maintenance of the said bridge. Dated London, Thursday the Feast of S. Clement, Pope [23 Nov.], A.D. 1385. Roll 116 (78).

**Lunt (ROGER)**, tailor.—To be buried in the choir of the church of S. Brigid de Fletstrete under the lamp. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, to the fabric of S. Paul's, various orders of friars in London, to the almonry of the Fraternity of Tailors of S. John the Baptist of London, the inmates of various hospitals, and prisoners in Neugate, Ludgate, and Flete, &c. Provision made for chantries and for torches to burn at his funeral,

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to carry which twelve poor men are to be employed, clothed in gowns of russet with hoods. Bequests also for a chantry in the church of the vill of Stutton, co. Suffolk, where he was born. To Sarah his wife he leaves a tenement near Fletebrigge for life, so long as she remain unmarried, otherwise the same is to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to chantries in the church of S. Brigid aforesaid. Among other bequests are the following:—To Nicholas his son a coat of mail formerly fitted with *Basinet*, a *dublet* lined with coat of mail (*cum lorica infra ordinata*), a pair of gloves of *Plate*, a bed, coverlet, &c.; to Johanna his daughter a sum of money, a bed and coverlet with tapestry worked with birds of a dark colour, a *matras*, sheets, &c.; to Agnes his sister, living at Holbrok, co. Suffolk, three yards of blue cloth, price four shillings a yard, for making herself a gown; to John Samford de Fulham a coat of mail with long sleeves and a pair of gloves of *Plate*; to Robert Mauncer a gold femail “anaymayled”; and to Reymund Goldsmyth his new short baselard. Dated London, 20 November, A.D. 1387. Roll 116 (79).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mark, Evangelist [25 April].*

**Cok** (JOHN), chandler.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael upon Cornhull near Johanna his late wife. Bequests to the said church, its chaplains, and Fraternity of S. Anne therein. Directions for his funeral and disposal of torches after his burial, one of which he leaves to the use of the church of Leyton atte Stone. Bequests to various orders of friars for *Placebo* and *Dirige* and other offices for the dead, and for the maintenance of a perpetual chantry in the church of S. Peter upon Cornhull; also to the inmates of various hospitals. Releases William Perendon, chandler, a debt, and moreover leaves to the same all his vessels with vinegar (*cum vino agro*) lying in his house in the parish of S. Peter upon Cornhull, except one jar which he leaves to the use of Isabella his wife. Also to Alice his wife (*sic*) he leaves forty shillings, and a pot and brass plate such as Isabella his wife may select. His lands and tenements in Cornhull and Fynkeslane in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid to be sold by Isabella his wife and his other executors, and one third of the proceeds to go to his said wife, and the

residue to be devoted to works of charity for the good of his soul. To Ralph Massy, fishmonger, and Johanna, wife of the same, his daughter, he leaves his leasehold interest in certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Peter aforesaid, charged with annuities to Nicholas, William, and William (*sic*) his sons, otherwise they are to maintain his said sons in their own house. Dated London, 8 April, A.D. 1388. Roll 116 (90).

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**Cook (JOHN)**, otherwise called "Atte Harpe," brewer.—To be buried in the church of S. Christopher, London, before the image of S. Christopher. Bequests to the said church, and to various orders of friars in London, and to the Friars Minors at Colchester, for masses. To John his son he leaves one hundred pounds sterling, certain measures of wheat, barley, and oats, three horses, three cows, and a moiety of all his sheep, as well as beds, cups, and other household chattels; also his leasehold interest in a tenement called "le Harpe" with shops in the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhill. The residue of his movables he leaves to Johanna his wife in the name of dower. Dated London, 12 October, A.D. 1387. Roll 116 (91).

**Hale (RICHARD)**, fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of H. Trinity near Algate, near his father. Bequests to the prior and canons of the said church, the high altar and ministers of the church of S. Mary de Wolchirchawe, and the Fraternity of the *Salve* in the same; also to Katherine his sister, a Minoreß, and to the Sisters Minoreßes without Algate; to Alice, another sister, and Agnes his daughter. Provision made for a chantry for two years next after his decease. The residue of his goods he leaves to Isabella his wife, Agnes his mother being paid what is owing to her. Dated London, 2 October, A.D. 1387. Roll 116 (97).

**Thornhille (WILLIAM)**, "armurer."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Brigid. Bequests to the ministers of the church of S. Brigid, and provision made for a chantry therein for three years next after his decease. His tenement in the parish of S. Brigid to be sold by his executors to fulfil his testament and last will. To the Ordinary of the Lord Bishop of London

**A.D.** he leaves his silver seal, having his arms thereon, for probate and  
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Roll 116 (98).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Halfmark** (JOHN), citizen and "smyth."—To be buried in the church of S. Andrew Hubert near Estchepe. Bequests to ministers in the said church and for the maintenance of chantries therein; also to the use of the Fraternity of S. Loy<sup>1</sup> and the Fraternity of S. Katherine near the Tower. To Isabella his wife all his lands and tenements in the parish of Shordich for life; remainder as to two thirds to Thomas his son, and as to the residue to Alice his daughter, wife of John Marschal, "irmonger." Also to his said wife all his lands and tenements within the City of London for life; remainder wholly to his aforesaid son. Also to his said wife he leaves a life interest in his leaseholds in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid; remainder to his said son and daughter in equal shares. Dated London, 9 February, A.D. 1386.

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**Cok** (ROBERT), glover.—To be buried in the church of S. Magnus at London Bridge before the altar where he used to stand. To Richard senior, his son, he leaves all his tenements and wharf called "Drynkwatereswharf," in the parish of S. Magnus aforesaid, in tail, except a shop which he leaves to Nicholas his brother for life; remainder to Richard junior, his son, and Nicholas his son in successive tail; remainder to the aforesaid Nicholas his brother in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his late wife and others. To William his brother a bakehouse and other houses in the parish of H. Trinity the Less in Knyghtriderestrete for life; remainders over. Also to Richard junior, his son, in tail, he leaves his tenement called "littellondon"<sup>2</sup> with houses and gardens in the parish of All Hallows called "atte Walle," situate near a tenement belonging to the work of London Bridge, and extending

<sup>1</sup> Or Eloy; S. Eligius, Bishop of Noyon. Cf.:

Hir grettest othe was but by Seynt Loy.

Chaucer, Prol. 'Cant. Tales,' 120.

<sup>2</sup> This same property, described with metes and bounds as here, was conveyed

anno 41 Edward III., by Roger Chelsham, "whitawyer," to William Knyghtecote, mercer—Roll 99 (126). The name is quaint, and only to be compared with

"Little Britain" and "Petty Wales."

from the highway near London Wall towards the north as far as the ditch of Walbrok on the south; remainders over. To Nicholas his son the reversion of a tenement in the same parish, after the decease of Johanna his wife, in tail; remainders over. Dated London, 5 June, A.D. 1388.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. James [25 July].*

**Renham** (THOMAS), goldsmith.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard. Bequests to the old fabric of the said church and for the maintenance of chantries for one year next after his decease. To Robert, son of William Polil de Dyltingham, he leaves a tenement in the parish of S. John Zakary in S. Vedastlane, another in the same lane and in the parish of S. Leonard, and another in Goderoun Lane in the parish of S. Vedast; also rents and tenements in the parishes of S. Laurence in Old Jewry and S. Peter, Westchepe, to hold in tail, with remainder to John Polil, brother of the same. To Reyna his sister certain tenements in Petiwales in the parish of All Hallows de Berkyngchirche for life; remainder to the aforesaid John Polil. To Richard Polil all his tenements in the parishes of S. Stephen de Colmanstrete and S. Giles without Crepulgate. To the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's he leaves a tenement in Goderounlane in the parish of S. Peter in Westchepe; and to the fabric of the church of S. John Zakarie a large *spiceplate* silver gilt. Bequests also to divers orders of friars, the inmates of certain hospitals, the Charterhouse in London, Thomas Holdegryme, and others. To Sir John Eccleshale, rector of the church of S. Matthew in Frydaystrete, he leaves a silver nut garnished and gilt. Dated London, 11 May, A.D. 1388.

Roll 117 (2).

**Kyrketon** (JOHN), "stokfishmongere."—To be buried in the church of S. Magnus. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, and to the fraternity of priests into which he had been received as a member. To Matilda his wife he leaves his brewery called "le lamb on the hoop" in Thamisesstret in the parish of S. Magnus aforesaid, together with houses, shops, &c., in Thamyse-

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stret in the parish of S. Michael de Crokedlane, for life, the reversion of the same to be at the disposal of the said Matilda and William Godesone de Kyrketon his kinsman. The residue of all his goods he leaves to his said wife and to William his son for the maintenance of his children. Dated London, Thursday the Vigil of All Saints [1 Nov.], A.D. 1387. Roll 117 (7).

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Atte Castel** (WILLIAM), armourer.—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Margaret upon Lothebury. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, and for the maintenance of a chantry therein, and to various orders of friars for saying *Placebo* and *Dirige*, as also for four trentals of masses of the Holy Trinity and four trentals of masses of the Holy Ghost. To Johanna his wife he leaves all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Margaret aforesaid for life, desiring her to cause thirty masses to be said every quarter for the good of his soul, she to sell the reversion of the same during her lifetime if she wishes, with the advice of Roger Clee. Dated London, 6 August, A.D. 1386. Roll 117 (18).

**Knotte** (JOHN), fishmonger.—To be buried in S. Anne's Chapel in the church of S. Mary Stanynglane. Bequests to the said church. To Agnes his wife all his tenements in the parishes of S. Mary Stanynglane and S. Olave for life; remainders to John his son, and to John, Thomas, and William, sons of William Knotte de Fulham, in successive tail male; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Bequest also to Sir Richard Knotte his kinsman, a monk of Stretford. Dated London, 24 July, A.D. 1388.

Roll 117 (25).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop [11 Nov.].*

**Wodegate** (ALICE), widow.—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Dionisius de Bakcherche near John Wodegate her late husband. To the rector of the said church she leaves a mazer cup with silver stand, to the use of the said church a *coupe* of silver for making a chalice, and sums of money to each chaplain. Provision made for tapers to burn at her funeral;

after her month's mind the same to be to the use of the beam-light in the aforesaid church. To the Prioress of Kelbourne she leaves a large basin and ewer. To the Preaching Friars of London a white cloth of *Blanket*,<sup>1</sup> to the Friars Minors a cloth of russet, and similar bequests to others. To John Brook her servant she leaves a small cup of mazer with silver stand, a coat of mail with *aventaill*, and horn of *Bugle*<sup>2</sup>; and to other servants she leaves gowns. Her tenements in the parish of S. Dionisius aforesaid to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses for the good of her soul, the souls of her late husband and others. One moiety of the residue of her goods to be devoted to a chantry in the said parish church, and the other to be given to the poor and sick lying upon couches, such as cannot work for their living. Dated London, 23 May, A.D. 1387. Roll 117 (44).

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*Monday next before the F. of SS. Fabian and Sebastian* [20 Jan.].

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**Frere (JOHN)**, "wirdrawer."—To be buried in the church of S. Martin Pomer in Ismonggerelane. Bequests to the rector and clerks in the said parish church; also for the purchase of two candelabres of tin (*de stanno*), and for the maintenance of the light of the Fraternity of S. Katherine therein for the space of twenty years, and in default the bequest is to be devoted to the rood light. To Rosia his wife he leaves certain tenements in the parish of S. Martin Pomer absolutely. Dated London, 5 February, A.D. 1387. Roll 117 (90).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin* [5 Feb.].

**Warwyk (ROBERT)**, draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary le Bow, with the permission of the rector and parishioners. Bequests to the said church for ornaments, &c., also to its ministers, and to the common box of the Fraternity of S. Mary established by the Drapers therein. To Robert his son he leaves one hundred shillings for putting him to a trade. To Isabella his daughter a silver water-dish with leathern cover to fit it. A certain tenement and shops in the street and parish of S. Peter de Wodestrete he leaves to trustees to convey the same

<sup>1</sup> So called, probably, from its whiteness (Fr. *Blanchette*), and only indirectly referable to Thomas Blanket, the famous Bristol weaver.

<sup>2</sup> *Bugle* signifies primarily a wild ox. When used in the sense of "horn" it is an abbreviation of *bugle-horn*.

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to Alice his wife, they taking security for due payment by her of his debts and legacies within a year after his decease. William Boyville, clerk and notary public, mentioned as a witness and as having been the writer of the testator's will. Dated London, Sunday the Feast of S. Nicholas, Bishop [6 Dec.], A.D. 1388.

Roll 117 (92).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Atte Grene (SIMON).**—To be buried in the church of S. John upon Walbrok. Bequests to the said church, and to various orders of friars in London for masses for his soul; also to John and Andrew his godsons, Andrew Shaldeford his apprentice, Margaret Passelewe, and others. Provision made for a chantry in the aforesaid church for twenty years next after the decease of Matilda his wife. Dated London, Friday next after the birth of our Lord [25 Dec.], A.D. 1372.

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*Monday next after F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Carleton (THOMAS), "brouderer."**<sup>1</sup>—To be buried in S. John the Baptist's Chapel within the north gate of S. Paul's. To the Master of the Fraternity of S. John the Baptist, London, its four wardens, and their successors he leaves a rent charge on his tenements in the parish of S. Alban in Wodstrete at the corner of Adelane, for the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid chapel; in default the said rent to go to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City for the same purpose. Bequests also of a vestment of blue silk, namely, a chasuble with white amice, stole, *phanon*, girdle, together with two frontals, two curtains, two towels, a cushion for supporting a book, a chalice with *corporas* and cover, two cruets, a bell, and a *pasbred* of silver to serve in the said chapel. Five marks to be expended upon a marble slab to put over his place of burial, having his shield of arms worked in *laton* in the middle of a cross and a record of the day of his decease. To Johanna his wife he leaves all his tenements, rents, &c., and a tenement called "le lyon on the hope," with shops, &c., in Wodestrete in the parish of S. Alphege, for life, unless the same has to be sold to discharge his debts;

<sup>1</sup> Embroiderer.



remainder to Agnes his daughter in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Bequests also to the churches of S. Peter de Wodstrete in Chepe and S. Alban in Wodstrete; to Emma his mother, William his brother, Marion his wife's sister, and others. To the aforesaid chantry he further leaves in reversion two books, viz., a Bible (*unam bibletecām*<sup>1</sup>) and a Legend of Saints. Dated 25 December, A.D. 1382. Roll 117 (100).

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**Strousburgh (JOHN)**, "brauderer."—To be buried in the church of S. Peter upon Cornhull. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein. To Bernard, son of Tilmannus de Put, now living with him, he leaves twenty pounds sterling. After the decease of Johanna his wife he wills that his tenements with dovecot, gardens, &c., upon Houndesdich in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate, remain to Alice his daughter. Dated London, 9 November, A.D. 1388. Roll 117 (101).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Modý (JOHN)**.—To be buried in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate, to which he leaves sums of money. All his lands and tenements in the county of Middlesex (except two acres of arable land in the parish of Shordich, which he leaves to Cristina his daughter) to be sold, and the proceeds to go in part to Johanna his wife, and in part to the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church. Also to his said wife he leaves tenements in Redecrouchestrete and in *þe Moorstrete* in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated 13 July, A.D. 1388.

Roll 117 (106).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Leuesham (THOMAS)**, skinner.—To be buried in S. Mary's Chapel in the church of S. Michael upon Cornhull. His executors are directed to enfeoff Agnes his wife of all his tenements in the

<sup>1</sup> "*Bibliotheca, Bibliorum liber, seu utrumque Testamentum, Vetus et Novum.*" (D'Arnis.)

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Roll 118 (1).

**Salesbury**<sup>1</sup> (IDONIA, formerly (*quondam*) wife of ROBERT), late (*nuper*) wife of Geoffrey Puppe, "stokfissmonger." — To be buried in the church of S. Laurence de Pulteney, to the college of which she, as executrix of Robert Salesbury, leaves all her lands and tenements formerly belonging to him in the parishes of All Hallows the Less upon the Solars (*sic*), S. Michael de Crooked-lane, and S. Olave near the Tower, for the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church and keeping her obit. To John Gravesende, draper, a tenement in Thamisesstret in the parish of S. Martin Orgar. To Idonia, daughter of Thomas Pyk, her goddaughter, she leaves a coverlet with tester "steyned"<sup>2</sup> with the story of Idonia and Amedas. To Cristina, wife of Thomas Pyk, her new gown of scarlet with fur and hood. To Sir John Norwiche, sub-master of the College of S. Laurence, a chalice and paten, and to each of the chaplains a sum of money. Bequests also of money or chattels to Dame Emma Seint Omere, a nun of Kilbourne, her goddaughter; Elizabeth, wife of William Parker, and to the said Elizabeth's sister, wife of John Bentham; her chaplain, servants, and others. Dated London, 26 November, A.D. 1386.

And because the Court was given to understand that the above John Gravesende, to whom a tenement in the parish of S. Martin Orgar had been devised, had married the testatrix after she had made her will, by which the said devise would be void according to the custom of the City, the enrolment of the will was postponed, &c. Afterwards, on the Monday aforesaid, when the will was enrolled, the same John Gravesende came into the full Husting and renounced altogether the aforesaid legacy, and said that neither he nor his heirs would make any claim by reason of it; the other provisions of the testament remaining in force.

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<sup>1</sup> The will is given in the margin as that of Idonia, formerly wife of Robert Salesbury, and not under the name of her second or that of her third husband.

<sup>2</sup> In imitation of tapestry.

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**Philippot**<sup>1</sup> (JOHN), Knt. — To be buried in the church of the Friars Minors,<sup>2</sup> London, near Johanna his late wife. To Margaret his wife<sup>3</sup> he leaves all his lands, tenements, &c., within the City of London, as well in reversion as in demesne, for life, charged with an annual payment of ten marks to the Prior and Convent of S. Pancras de Lewes,<sup>4</sup> so that they maintain a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his late consort, Richard late Earl of Arundell,<sup>5</sup> and others. In case of default, the Mayor and Recorder of the City for the time being to distrain for the same. The said Margaret charged with the payment of an annual rent of five marks to the Vicar of Gyltingham, co. Kent, in aid of a chantry in the chapel of the manor of Grengre, co. Kent. To the monks of Hurlee, co. Berks, an annual rent of one mark for keeping his obit, &c. Bequests to thirteen poor people in honour of the five wounds of Jesus Christ, the five joys of the blessed mother Mary,<sup>6</sup> and of the Holy Trinity, the selection of the recipients to be made by Margaret his wife during her lifetime, and afterwards by the Mayor and Recorder of the City for the time being. After his wife's death certain tenements in the parishes of S. Mary Wolnoth and S. Mary Wolchirche are to remain to Edward and John his sons in successive tail, and certain other tenements in the parish of S. Augustine near Poulesgate, in the

<sup>1</sup> A fishmonger by trade (Higden's 'Polychron,' ix. 30). Sheriff in 1372; Mayor in 1378. He was appointed joint treasurer with William Walworth of the subsidy granted to Richard II. on his accession (Stubbs's 'Const. Hist.,' ii. 414, 567). Walsingham records his patriotic conduct when Mayor in fitting out a fleet at his own expense, with which he sailed to attack a pirate who had long infested the English coast. His expedition proved completely successful, and he returned in triumph to the City, not without exciting, however, considerable jealousy ('Hist. Angl.,' i. 370). He was knighted in 1381, together with Walworth, Brembre, and others, for assisting the King against Wat Tyler.

<sup>2</sup> His wishes appear to have been carried out, although from an inscription

on his monument in the church of the Grey Friars quoted by Stow ('Survey,' Strype's ed., 1720, bk. iii. p. 133) it would appear that his first wife was the Lady Jane Stamford.

<sup>3</sup> A daughter of Richard de Croydon, fishmonger. See his will enrolled *supra*, Roll 103 (10).

<sup>4</sup> A Cluniac priory was founded in the old church of S. Pancras at Lewes, co. Sussex, in 1078.

<sup>5</sup> Richard Fitz-Alan, eighth Earl of Arundel, *ob.* 1376.

<sup>6</sup> Also called the "joyful mysteries." They are (1) the Annunciation, (2) the Visitation, (3) the birth of Christ, (4) His being carried as a baby to the Temple, (5) the finding of Him there when a boy among the teachers (Rock's 'Church of our Fathers,' vol. iii. pt. i. p. 324).

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street called "le Oldechaunge," to Margaret his daughter and to John his aforesaid son in successive tail. Tenements formerly belonging to John de Stodeye he leaves to his child (if any) *en ventre sa mère*; remainder to Thomas Birlyngham and John, brother of the said Thomas, sons of Margaret his aforesaid wife. The reversion of all his lands and tenements not otherwise disposed of he leaves to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of London to the use and behoof of the City as most needed, for the making of conduits, common latrines, &c., reserving to themselves the sum of 36*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.* for discharging legacies to the house of S. Pancras at Lewes, the Vicar of Gilyngham, and others mentioned above, after the decease of Margaret his wife, and also an annual payment to the Abbess of Deneye,<sup>1</sup> co. Cambridge, for the use of Thomasina his daughter, a nun in that house. If necessary, all his aforesaid lands and tenements are to be sold by the Bishop of London and the Mayor and Recorder of the City for the time being, at the best price obtainable, and the proceeds distributed as directed. Another testament relating to his movable goods mentioned. Dated London, Monday next after the Feast of S. Edmund, Archbishop [16 Nov.], A.D. 1381. Three codicils<sup>2</sup> follow, to the effect:—

1. That Margaret his daughter is to have all the lands and tenements formerly belonging to John de Stodeye, after the decease of Margaret his wife; but she is to forego her right to take under his testament touching his movables.

2. That Margaret his wife is to enjoy a life interest in his place called "Hull Almilesende,"<sup>3</sup> in the parish of Stebenheth, co. Middlesex; remainder to John atte Hale, junior, of the county of Dorset, and to Margaret his daughter, about to become the said John's wife, to hold in tail. Also that the place called "Hoggeston,"<sup>4</sup> co. Middlesex, be his wife's for life; remainders to Thomas and Edward his sons in successive tail.

3. That the *commune* of London, after the decease of his aforesaid wife, shall have (among others) all his rents, tenements,

<sup>1</sup> An abbey founded by Mary de St. Paul, Countess of Pembroke (Part I. p. 637n.).

<sup>2</sup> These are in French, the will being in Latin.

<sup>3</sup> Mile End. It was here that the insurgents under Wat Tyler foregathered in 1381 and held parley with the King.

<sup>4</sup> Stepney.

<sup>5</sup> Hoxton.

&c., at or near Lambardeshull, in the parishes of S. Mary Magdalen near "Holdefissstrete" and S. Peter the Less near Pouleswharf, in Brigestrete and Puddinglane, as well as in the parish of S. Michael, Queenhithe, and elsewhere. Roll 118 (30).

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**Silkeston (LAURENCE)**, skinner.—To be buried in the church of S. Dionisius Bakchirche. To Ralph his son the reversion of a certain tenement in the parish of S. Dionisius aforesaid after the decease of Albreda his wife, as well as the following household goods, viz., *doseris*, *bankers*, *kusschonis*, *bordis*, *trestelis*, *basinys*, *lavours*, *bordidbed*, *furmys*, *stolis*, *chestis*, a *ferplate*, a *peutre-lavour*, &c. The residue of his goods he leaves to his said wife. Dated London, 1 April, A.D. 1387. Roll 118 (38).

*Monday the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Betaigne (RICHARD)**, goldsmith.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "le pardon chirchehawe," near the tomb of Matilda his late wife. Bequests to the church of S. Mary de Colchirch, its rector and chaplains, and also to the chaplains in the chapel of S. Mary de Conyhop. To William, Thomas, and Richard his sons, Johanna his daughter, Alice Holdon, and others, he leaves sums of money and chattels, comprising mazer cups, silver spoons, half a dozen of *peautre vessel*, a bed with leopards' heads, a red bed, viz., *coverlit* and *tester*, powdered with roses, &c. His jewels and instruments appertaining to his craft are to be appraised and sold. To Robert his son and heir he leaves his entire rents in Chepe in tail male, with similar remainder to Thomas and Richard his other sons. Dated London, 2 August, A.D. 1389. Roll 118 (42).

**Rous (ROBERT)**, Knt.—To be buried in the Abbey of Tarent "*loci sancti Ricardi episcopi*."<sup>1</sup> To Simon Aleysham or Aylesham all his tenements in S. Clement's Lane near Candelwykestret for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses.

<sup>1</sup> Or Tarrant Kaines, co. Dorset. Known as Kaineston or Kingston; also as *Locus Benedictus Regine super Tarent* or *Locus Regine super Tarent*. Richard Poor, Bishop successively of

Chichester, Salisbury, and Durham, founded a Cistercian abbey here (his native place), *circ.* 1230, in honour of the Blessed Virgin and All Saints (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.', p. 107).

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Also by a codicil enclosed in his original will he desires his houses in London to be sold after the decease of Simon Aleyscham, and the proceeds to be divided equally among the Friars Minors, Preaching Friars, Augustinian and Carmelite Friars.<sup>1</sup> Dated Monday next after the Feast of Invention of H. Cross [3 May], A.D. 1383. Roll 118 (43).

**Sewale (JOHN)** de Coggeshale.—Directs that his feoffees in trust to execute his last will should sell his tenement called "le Newehalle," situate at the new port (*novum portum*) of Colchester, a tenement called "le Colhawe," and other tenements, &c., in the parishes of S. Rumbald and S. Peter, also in Croucherchelane called "Maldonelane," and elsewhere in Colchester, as well as a messuage at Gepeswic<sup>2</sup> at *le Kay* there, and the moieties of two ships called "le boolygoost" and "Eleyne" of Herwich. Dated 24 May, A.D. 1389.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan [19 May].*

**Cornewaille (ANDREW)**, draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Augustine near S. Paul's Gate. Bequests to the fabric and high altar of the said church. To Isabella his wife a tenement wherein he lived in Watlyngstrete in the parish of S. Augustine aforesaid for life; remainder to Thomas and John his sons in successive tail; remainder to Johanna, Custance, and Alice his daughters, and the heirs of their bodies, with cross remainders. If all his children die without any heir of their bodies, the same is to be sold by the rector and certain parishioners of the church of S. Augustine aforesaid, and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated 28 November, A.D. 1389.

Roll 118 (119).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Tonge (WILLIAM DE)**.—To be buried in the church of All Hallows called "Berkyngechurche." Bequests for the purchase

<sup>1</sup> The codicil is in French.

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<sup>2</sup> Ipswich.

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of a Legend for the use of the parishioners of the said church, and to the ministers therein; also to the five orders of friars specified, the lepers of *la loke* and at Hakeneye, the inmates of various hospitals, the mendicants of Hegham Ferrers and Erteleburgh,<sup>1</sup> the work of S. Paul's, &c.; and to John Pelteseye, John Yonge de Hegham, John Cruche, mason, Matilda Ingram, and others. To each of his daughters he leaves one hundred marks for their marriage, which sum is to be reduced to one hundred shillings should they marry without discretion or live immodestly; and to John and John his sons one hundred marks apiece. The said sums of money to be kept at the Guildhall until good men be found ready to bring up his said children and his sons arrive at the age of twenty years and his daughters marry. The elder son to have an additional five marks for the space of seven years should he study well and wish to practise the Common Law; and his younger son to have a similar sum if he care to study at the University of Oxford or follow commercial pursuits. His feoffees in trust of all his lands and tenements within the City of London and elsewhere are directed to enfeoff William Rykhell and William Baret in fee simple, to the intent that these latter shall enfeoff Avice his wife of the same for life so long as she remain unmarried; remainder to his right heirs in successive fee tail. Provision made for chantries in the church of All Hallows aforesaid for the space of five years after his decease. Dated London, 9 August, A.D. 1389. —Also to the Provost and Brethren of Coverstoke<sup>2</sup> forty shillings for their prayers.

Roll 119 (15).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Assheby** (MATTHEW), brewer.—To be buried in the postern (*in posterula*) of the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate. Bequests to the said church and to Sir John Trowbrigg, vicar thereof, and to the fabric of the church of the nuns of Clerkenwell. To the aforesaid vicar and the masters of the Fraternity of S. Mary and S. Giles within the church of S. Giles aforesaid he

<sup>1</sup> Or Erlingworth, co. Northampton.

<sup>2</sup> Cotherstoke, co. Northampton, where a college or large chantry was founded, *circa* 1336, by John Gifford, canon of York, consisting of a provost, twelve chaplains, and two clerks, in the church of S. Andrew (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.', p. 387).

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leaves lands, tenements, and rents in Redecrouchestrete charged with the maintenance of a chantry, the residue of the profits issuing thereout to be kept in a box having four locks and keys. His feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in co. Middlesex to sell the same, and apply the proceeds to payment of debts. Bequests to his servants and executors. Dated London, 26 September, A.D. 1390. Roll 119 (20).

**Barton** (WALTER DE), cordwainer.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Andrew de Holbourne. To Sir Adam Foxlee, the rector, and churchwardens of the said church, and their successors, he leaves an annual quitrent of two shillings, charged on one of his tenements in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid, for the maintenance of a lamp to burn in the chapel of S. John the Baptist in the said church. To Thomas his son forty shillings and a *masere* of the value of eighteen shillings for his own private use, the same, together with the aforesaid tenement, to remain in the custody of the mother of the said Thomas during minority. Dated London, 24 April, A.D. 1390. Roll 119 (22).

**Lyndewyk** (ROBERT), butcher.—To be buried in the parish church of S. Bartholomew the Less.<sup>1</sup> Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, and to various orders of friars for attending his funeral. To Alice his wife he leaves a tenement in the parish of S. Leonard in Estchepe for life; remainder to Henry atte Ford, butcher of Estchepe, and Isabella, wife of the same, if they will take it, upon payment of one hundred and forty pounds sterling, of which twenty marks are to be paid to the Fraternity [of butchers?] in Estchepe, the residue being devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Leonard aforesaid; also a tenement in the parish of S. Bartholomew the Less in trust for sale, and ten marks of the proceeds to be devoted to the purchase of books, vestments, and other ornaments for the said parish church, and the residue to the maintenance of a chantry within the same. Dated in the mansion house of Robert Lyndewyk, butcher, in the parish of S. Bartholomew the Less, 12 October, A.D. 1389.

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<sup>1</sup> Little S. Bartholomew, or S. Bartholomew by the Exchange.



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**Godechilde (RICHARD)**, cutler.—To be buried in the church of S. Thomas de Acon near the Conduit, in the tomb where Juliana his late wife lies buried. To the master and brethren of the house of S. Thomas aforesaid twenty shillings. To John his son his dwelling-house in Conynghopelane in the parish of S. Mildred in the Poultry in tail, charged with the payment of one hundred shillings to Emmota, wife of William Motyngham, “batour”;<sup>1</sup> remainder in trust for sale, the proceeds being devoted to pious and charitable uses. Also to the said John an annual quitrent of one mark issuing from a tenement called “le castell on the hope” in the parish of S. Mildred aforesaid; similar remainder. Bequests to the rector and clerks of the church of S. Mildred, to William Wattesham, his servants, and others; also to the Fraternity of S. John the Baptist,<sup>2</sup> London. Dated London, 11 January, A.D. 1389.—By codicil he leaves his son John in the custody of Richard Lithiathe, “coteler.”

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**Trippelowe (WILLIAM)**, armourer.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Brigid, Virgin, in Fletestrete, under the north wall of the church between *la porch* and *la looge*. Bequests to the said church, Sir Thomas de Hayton its rector, and ministers therein, the light of the Blessed Mary, &c. To Agnes his wife all his lands and tenements in Fletestrete for life, charged with keeping his obit and paying yearly fivepence to five poor men in honour of the five joys<sup>3</sup> of the Blessed Virgin, the mother of God; after her decease the same to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to prisoners in London, to poor men and sick widows in the parishes of S. Brigid, S. Martin at Ludgate, S. Sepulchre without Neugate, S. Andrew in Holbourne, and S. Dunstan in Fletestrete, and to the repair of roads near London. To John his brother he leaves a fur cloak with hood. To each of his sisters [not named] three shillings and fourpence. His executors to provide for Elizabeth his

<sup>1</sup> Beater of cloths, a clothworker.

Tailors of London, to whom the testator had probably supplied cutlery.

<sup>2</sup> The Fraternity of the Merchant

<sup>3</sup> See note *supra*, p. 275.

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daughter in Christ, viz., "Godchilde," until marriage. To each of his children in Christ, viz., "Godchilders," three shillings and fourpence. Directions for torches and purchase of *Russet* for his funeral. Bequests to the light of the Holy Cross in the church of S. Brigid, to various orders of friars, and to the work of S. Paul's. Provision made for a chantry in the church of S. Brigid. The residue of his goods he leaves to his wife by way of dower for payment of debts and execution of his last will. Dated London, 19 August, A.D. 1390. Roll 119 (54).

**Atte Merssh (JOHN)**, "curreour."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Giles without Crepulgate, in the tomb where Cristina his late wife lies buried. Bequests to the church of S. Giles aforesaid and ministers therein. To Margery his wife a tenement in Grobstrete in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds devoted to pious uses. The implements of his craft to be sold as soon as possible to pay his debts. Releases John Goldesburgh his apprentice from remaining term of service. Dated London, the Feast of S. Laurence [10 Aug.], A.D. 1388. Roll 119 (57).

**Yvory (WILLIAM)**, butcher.—To be buried in the church of S. Leonard de Estchepe. Bequests to the said church for buying two new missals, for the fabric of the belfry, &c.; also to the churches of S. Clement near Estchepe and of S. Mary Magdalene at Bermondeseye. To Sir Geoffrey Launde, rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Leonard aforesaid, and to Sir Adam Chippenham, rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Clement aforesaid, he leaves certain tenements and rents in the parish of S. Leonard in the wards of Bruggestrete and of Candelwykstrete, for the maintenance of a chantry in each of the said churches. A certain shop in the parish of S. Nicholas at the Shambles to be sold to pay his debts. To Johanna his wife he leaves a brewery and shops in the parish of S. Leonard aforesaid for life; remainder to Cecilia his daughter, wife of Thomas Wyght, "grocer," in tail; remainder to the rector and churchwardens of S. Clement's aforesaid for the maintenance of chantries. To John Whappelode and Margery, wife of the same, another daughter of the testator, he

leaves the reversion of his mansion and shops in the parish of S. Leonard in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. His feoffees in trust of his lands and tenements at Bermondeseye are directed to enfeof the said John and Margery of certain tenements and meadows, comprising a meadow called "Horscroft," to hold for life, with power to sell the reversion, his said feoffees making a good title to the purchaser. Dated London, 1 August, A.D. 1390. Roll 119 (60). A.D.  
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*Monday next before the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

**Scorfeyn (JOHN)**, armourer.—To be buried in the common churchyard of S. Paul's, by the side of Alice his mother. Bequests to the church of S. Augustine near S. Paul's Gate; also to the church of Ifeld,<sup>1</sup> and to the poor in the parish thereof; to each order of mendicant friars in London, the Prioress and Nuns of Roughspare,<sup>2</sup> the new and old work of S. Paul's, the repair of the highway between Nomanneslonde<sup>3</sup> and Iseldon,<sup>4</sup> &c. To Peter his brother, Isabella his sister, William his sister's son, Johanna atte Brook, William atte Brook, Ralph Scorfeyn his kinsman, and others, he leaves sums of money. To Agnes his wife his tenement called "le harwe on the hope" in the parish of S. Dunstan in Fletestrete for life so long as she remain unmarried; remainder in trust for sale, the proceeds being devoted to poor prisoners, more especially women, in Ludgate and Newgate, and other charitable uses. Dated London, 16 March, A.D. 1389.

Roll 119 (64).

**Twyford (NICHOLAS)**, Knt., goldsmith.—To Thomas Conelee his kinsman, of co. Bucks, he leaves the reversion of his new dwelling-house in the parish of S. John Zakarie, after the decease of Margery his wife, in tail; remainder over. All his lands, tenements, reversions, dovecots, hedges, wards, marriages, escheats,

<sup>1</sup> Co. Kent.

<sup>2</sup> Various spelt "Rouesperre" (see the will of John Yonn, Part I. p. 540), "Rusper," or "Rupperar," co. Sussex, where there was a priory of Black Nuns dedicated to S. Mary Magdalen.

<sup>3</sup> The name of a parcel of land which Ralph Stratford purchased in 1348 for a burial-ground, and subsequently added to by Sir Walter Manny. On its site

was built the Charterhouse. It has been suggested that this plot of land formed part of the twelve acres and a half described in Domesday as "De nane maneslande," which Edward the Confessor and William his successor once owned, being of the value of five shillings.

<sup>4</sup> Islington.

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reliefs, &c., in the parishes of Totenham and Edelmeton, co. Middlesex, to go to John Twyford his kinsman, after the decease of his aforesaid wife, in tail; remainder over. To the rector and churchwardens of S. John Zakarie, and the wardens or guardians of the craft of Goldsmiths of London, he leaves certain rents issuing from a tenement called "le Crane" in the parish of S. Nicholas at the Shambles, for keeping his obit, the obits of his children and of his aforesaid wife in the church of S. John aforesaid, the maintenance of a light therein, and other pious uses. Dated London, Saturday, 11 June, A.D. 1390.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

**Bathe (JOHN).**—To Ralph Kesteven, rector, and the churchwardens of the church of S. Botolph without Aldrichesgate, he leaves certain shops in Aldrichesgatestrete in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid, on condition that they maintain thereout a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Cristina his wife, when dead, and others; the residue of the profits of the said shops being devoted to their maintenance and to the ornaments of the aforesaid church. To William Gedeneye, prior of the church of S. Bartholomew de Westmythefeld, and convent of the same, he leaves all his lands and tenements in Westchepe, Goderounlane, and elsewhere in the parish of S. Vedast, in pure and perpetual alms. To his aforesaid wife his dwelling-house in Aldrichesgate in the parish aforesaid for life, so that within one month after his decease she release to the aforesaid rector and churchwardens all claim of dower in the property so left to them. Dated London, Monday the Feast of S. Peter ad Vincula [1 Aug.], A.D. 1390.

Roll 119 (80).

*Monday next before the F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Petigru alias Atte Nax (SIMON),** cutler. — To be buried in S. Mary's Chapel in the church of S. Brigid in Fletestrete, to the rector and ministers whereof he leaves sums of money. Bequests also to Richard his son, Mariona his daughter, William Grantham and Simon, son of the same, Simon, son of Edward Shether, his godson, Johanna, wife of Robert Lincoln, and others. To Sir Thomas

Hayton, rector, and the wardens of the light of the Blessed Mary in the church of S. Brigid aforesaid, he leaves all his tenements in the parish of S. Brigid near Fletebrigge for the maintenance of two chantries therein, and in default the same are to remain to Friar William Wakeryng, Master of the Hospital of S. Bartholomew in Smythfeld, for the maintenance of chantries in the said hospital. To Johanna his wife, by way of dower and for her share of his goods, he leaves one hundred pounds, on condition she releases her claim of dower to his executors within twenty days after his decease; otherwise she is to have her reasonable dower of his tenements and a share of his goods as the law of God and good conscience require, and the legacy of one hundred pounds is to be void, and the rector and wardens aforesaid are to be relieved of maintenance of one of the aforesaid chantries during her lifetime. Bequests to various orders of friars, the old work of S. Paul's, the fabric of the church of S. Brigid, the Fraternity of the Blessed Mary therein, and the Fraternity of S. Brigid. Dated London, in the parish of S. Brigid, 8 January, A.D. 1390.

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**Northburgh** (JOHANNA, relict of JOHN, draper).—To be buried in the church of All Hallows de Berkyng before the altar of S. Katherine, near the tomb of John Priour senior, her father. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, the church of S. Thomas de Acon near the Conduit, the high altars of the churches of S. Mary de Colchirch and S. Bartholomew the Less. To Katherine her daughter, wife of John Game, armourer, she leaves all her lands and tenements in the parish of S. Dunstan in Tourstrete for the maintenance of a chantry, and the residue of all her goods, after payment of debts, absolutely. Dated London, 15 January, A.D. 1390.

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**Ancroft** (WILLIAM), mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph near Billingesgate, under the same stone as Robert his father. Bequests to the rector of the said church for prayers on behalf of his soul, the souls of Robert his father, Margaret his mother, and others; to the fraternities of S. Mary and S. Katherine, and to ministers therein. His body to be covered with russet cloth having a cross in white linen, the same to be afterwards

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By codicil<sup>3</sup> he directs his feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in the county of Northumberland to give seisin of the same to Robert his brother in tail, and to sell his reversion of the manor of Abyngton and hand over the proceeds to his executors. His lands and tenements in Plomstede of which he is solely seised to go to John his aforesaid son. Dated 20 June (*sic*), 14 Richard II. [A.D. 1391].

Roll 119 (96).

**Foxton (JOHN).**—To be buried in the church of S. Peter upon Cornhull. Bequests to the said church and ministers of the same to have his soul in remembrance; also to the Rector of “Pappey”<sup>4</sup> for singing four trentals of masses for four years called “Gregoriestrentall;”<sup>5</sup> to Sir John Heyford, Canon of Merton; to the church of Little Waltham in Essex for the purchase of a new cross of latten and a thurible, to the work of S. Paul’s, and to divers orders of friars. To William Foxton his brother for life he leaves the reversion of a certain tenement in the parish of S. Peter aforesaid, jointly acquired by him and Johanna his wife from John, son of Godfrey Lely, as appears by deed enrolled;<sup>6</sup> remainder to the rector and churchwardens of S. Peter’s aforesaid for the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the

<sup>1</sup> Or Abyngton.

<sup>2</sup> On the border of cos. Herts and Camb.

<sup>3</sup> In French.

<sup>4</sup> A church formerly known as S.

Augustine Papey, and afterwards annexed to the church of S. Augustine, London Wall.

<sup>5</sup> See note *supra*, p. 137.

<sup>6</sup> Roll 104 (121).

souls of Johanna his wife, William his father, Isabella his mother, Richard and Katherine his wife's parents, William his brother and Juliana, wife of the same, and others; and in default the same to be held by the Wardens of London Bridge, in the name of "the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London, and their successors to the use and maintenance of London Bridge" for the maintenance of a perpetual chantry in the chapel on the bridge.

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**Coraunt (JOHN)**, goldsmith.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael in Wodestret. Bequests to Sir John Yve, rector, and churchwardens of the same, for "torches" for the high altar, &c.; and devise of a certain vestibule built on the north side of the church, which he lately acquired from the executors of Robert Lucas, goldsmith. To Johanna his wife he leaves all his tenements in the City of London for life; remainder, as to a tenement in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen near Oldfisshestret, to the Prioress and Nuns of Clerkenwell, on condition that they keep his obit solemnly as directed with *Placebo* and *Dirige* and office for the dead. To William his son the reversion of certain shops in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, after the decease of his wife, to hold in tail, with remainder to John his son in tail. Also to the said John the reversion of his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid in tail, with remainder to William his son, charged with the aforesaid bequest for torches. Dated London, 20 March, 12 Richard II. [A.D. 1388-9].

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**Haberger or Hauberger (JOHN)**.—To Elena his wife his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate for life; remainder in trust for sale by the vicar and certain parishioners of the church of S. Giles aforesaid, and the proceeds distributed among his children. Dated London, 3 May, A.D. 1382.

Roll 119 (116).

**Neuport (WILLIAM)**, fishmonger, of the parish of S. Nicholas Olof de Bredestrete.—Provision made for chantries for three years next after his decease. Bequests to the ministers of the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid, and for the purchase of books and vestments; also to divers orders of friars; to the inmates of

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various hospitals and prisons; to the lepers in the neighbourhood of London; to the old and new fabric of S. Paul's and the chaplains and vicars of the same; the convents of Christchurch, London, and of S. Bartholomew in Smythfeld; the Abbot and Convent of Ramesey;<sup>1</sup> to the poor porters of the old fish market, London; the college of S. Thomas de Acres, the priors and convents of Elsyngspitel and of S. Mary Overe for pittances; the churches of Bassyngburgh and Gretford, &c.; also to Henry Perot, clerk of the Guildhall, London, John Poynant and Margaret, wife of the same, the testator's daughter, William Chambre, William Castell, John Sired, and many others. To Massia his wife he leaves two hundred marks and one third of the residue of his goods, the remaining two thirds being devoted to pious uses. To John and Robert his brothers five marks respectively. His tenements at Lambardeshull and at Lothebury, and his garner at *le Saltwharf* at Quenehithe, to be sold for pious uses. Also to Massia his wife he leaves his tenement in the parish of S. Mildred de Bredestrete, together with various rents, for life; remainder to pious uses. To each of his executors, except his wife, he leaves a cup of silver and a cup of mazer. Dated London, 25 February, A.D. 1390.—Also he directs that his manor of Clopton, together with the advowson to the church, and his manor called "Rous," be sold for pious uses. Also to the aforesaid John Poynant and Margaret, wife of the same, he leaves all his lands, tenements, &c., in the parishes of Kyngesdone, Frennyngham, Horton, Mapelescombe, and Luddesdon in co. Kent. His wife to have a life interest in the Castle of Lullynston, co. Kent.

Roll 119 (121).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Toky** (RICHARD), grocer.<sup>2</sup>—To be buried in the church of S. Edmund the King in Lumbardestrete near Margaret his late wife. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, and also for the maintenance of a chantry therein for two years, or of two chantries for one year, next after his decease. All his tenements

<sup>1</sup> Co. Huntingdon. An abbey of the Benedictine Order, founded by the Earl of the East Angles, A.D. 969.

<sup>2</sup> *Grossar*'.



and rents in the parishes of S. Benedict de Graschirche, S. Edmund de Lumbardstret, and elsewhere, to be sold, and the proceeds divided among Richard, John, William, Alianora, and Matilda his children. Dated London, 20 October, A.D. 1390.

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Roll 119 (136).

**Trewethenek** (MICHAEL), called "Cornwaille," skinner.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Wolchirchewawe near the Stokkes. Bequests to the said church and chaplains therein for their prayers. To William his son he leaves twenty pounds sterling, the same to remain in the custody of Agnes his wife during minority. Also to his said wife a tenement in the parish of All Hallows de Berkyngchirche for life; remainder to his aforesaid son for life; remainder in trust for sale for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his former wife, Robert and William his sons, and others. Dated London, Sunday the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June], A.D. 1385.

Roll 119 (138).

#### ANNO 15 RICHARD II.

*Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and C. [13 Oct.].*

**Marion** (GILBERT) de Meldebourne.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Mary de Abbechirche in the same tomb with Cristina his former wife. Bequests to Sir William Kyngesley, the rector, and other ministers of the said church; to John Berford, rector of the church of S. Ethelburga within Bisshopesgate, and to the clerk of the same for tolling the bell, as well as to divers orders of friars in London. To Gilbert his son he leaves the reversion of a messuage and rents in the parish of S. Mary de Abbechirche in tail, after the decease of Isabella his wife; remainder to William his son, Alianora, Philippa, and Johanna his daughters, in successive tail, with further remainders to John Chambre, fishmonger, and Hugh de Basyngbourne, fishmonger. To William his son certain leasehold houses in Bisshopesgatestret in the parish of S. Ethelburga. To Isabella his wife his hostel in the same parish for life; remainders to his aforesaid children; ultimate remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Ethelburga aforesaid as directed; in default the property to go to the Mayor and Wardens of London

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Bridge in trust to maintain the said chantry. His tenement at the corner of the churchyard of the church of S. Laurence Pulteneye he leaves to Robert Witherdeley, the Master of the College of S. Laurence, and certain parishioners, for the maintenance of a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of William Staneford, Johanna, wife of the same, Thomas their son, Elena, wife of the said Thomas, and others; in default the same to go to the Mayor and Wardens of London Bridge as above. A messuage and houses in the parish of S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate to be sold to pay his debts, and the residue to go to Isabella his wife. To Roger Blythe, "male-maker,"<sup>1</sup> and to Mariota, wife of the same, he leaves a tenement in the parish of S. Brigid de Fletestrete for their lives; remainder to his aforesaid daughters and sons in successive tail. Bequest of ten marks to buy two silver candelabres for the church of S. Peter upon Cornhull. Dated London, Thursday the Feast of S. Laurence [10 Aug.], A.D. 1391. Roll 120 (1).

**Leycestre**<sup>2</sup> (WALTER).—To be buried in the church of S. Peter, Westminster. His friends and kinsfolk to have of his money and clothes as his executors may direct. Alice his wife to have a life interest in all his rents in the City of London and suburbs; the same to be sold after her death for pious and charitable uses. Mention made of another testament, which is still to be valid, except so far as it is altered by the present testament. Dated within the Castle of Farnham, 5 April, A.D. 1391.—And although he had directed his tenements to be sold after the decease of Alice his wife, yet, inasmuch as he desires his soul's speedy health, he wills that his executors sell the reversion of the aforesaid tenements as soon as possible, and dispose of the proceeds for the good of his soul.

Whereupon came the aforesaid Alice, John Wakele, vintner, and Matilda, wife of the same, and put their claim upon the aforesaid testament as to certain shops in the parish of S. Edmund de Lumbardestrete, because they say the aforesaid Walter and Alice lately acquired the same from Richard Chadesley, as appears by deed

<sup>1</sup> A maker of *males* (mails) or travelling bags. Riley draws a distinction between *malemonger* and *melmake*, taking the latter to mean possibly a

maker of mallets or hammers ('Memo-rials,' Introd., p. xxii).

<sup>2</sup> Described elsewhere as the King's Sergeant-at-Arms.

enrolled<sup>1</sup> at the Husting for Common Pleas held on Monday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.], 37 Edward III. [A.D. 1363]; that the said Alice at the death of her husband acquired the fee thereof *jure accrescendi*, which she disposed of, by deed enrolled<sup>2</sup> at the Husting for Pleas of Land held on Monday next after the Feast of Translation of S. Edward, King and Confessor [13 Oct.], 15 Richard II. [A.D. 1391], to the aforesaid John and Matilda; and that the said John and Matilda reconveyed the same to the said Alice for life by another deed enrolled<sup>3</sup> at the same Husting.

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**Preston** (RICHARD DE), citizen and grocer<sup>4</sup> of London, and burgess of the vill of Cales.—To be buried in the church of All Hallows at the Hay, near Deonisia his former wife. To Agnes his wife he leaves all his lands and tenements in the City and suburbs for life, for maintaining a chantry in the aforesaid church for the good of his soul, the souls of Richard his father, Isabella his mother, Deonisia and Alice his wives, Stephen de Preston and Cristina, wife of the same, and others; remainder as to a tenement called “Beaurepair,” and others in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, to the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of the said parish, for the maintenance of a chantry at the altar of S. Katherine in the said parish church for the good of the souls just mentioned, and for divers payments to the rector and chaplain for keeping his obit as directed, and others. In default of the chantries being maintained as directed, the property is to go over to the Wardens of London Bridge, under the name of “the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London and their successors to the use and maintenance of the said bridge,” for providing a chantry in the aforesaid church. All his lands and tenements in the vill of Cales and neighbourhood to be sold to fulfil his other testament touching his movable goods, saving to Alice his wife one third of the proceeds by way of dower, excepting the proceeds of the sale of his lands and tenements at Sandgate. His feoffees in trust of lands and tenements, water-mills, &c., in co. Kent and elsewhere, are directed to enfeoff Agnes his wife of the same, excepting a certain grange and wharf in the

<sup>1</sup> Roll 91 (168).

<sup>2</sup> Roll 120 (17).

<sup>3</sup> Roll 120 (18).

<sup>4</sup> *Grossarius*, i.e. wholesale dealer. In

{ the will of Agnes his wife (enrolled  
*infra* Roll 130 [115]) he is described as  
late citizen and merchant (*mercator*).

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**Harsham (RICHARD)**, "ferroure."—To be buried in the church of S. Sepulchre without Neugate. Bequests to Sir John Hayward, vicar of the said church, and for the maintenance of a chantry therein. To Emma his wife he leaves a certain tenement in the parish of S. Andrew in Holbourne for life; remainder to the aforesaid vicar and churchwardens in aid of a chantry. To John his servant, of co. Hereford, a sum of money and a gown of *sangwyn*.<sup>1</sup> Dated London, 21 December, A.D. 1391.

Roll 120 (62).

**Power (WILLIAM)**, called "Wodehous," skinner.—To be buried in the church of S. Christopher, London, where lie the bodies of his wives. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, and provision made for torches for the elevation of the Host, funeral expenses, &c. To the Fraternity of Skinners in aid of its chaplains he leaves one hundred shillings. Pecuniary bequests also to Agnes, Emma, and Margaret his daughters; William, son of Adam Haket; Custance, wife of John Duk; William, Thomas, and John, sons of Thomas Provendre, mercer, and others. To Thomas his son he leaves one hundred pounds, and all his implements and goods, both raw and tanned. His silver vessels and ustilments appertaining to his hall, chamber, pantry, and kitchen to be divided into three parts, one part to go to Agnes his wife, another to Thomas his son, and the third to be distributed among his other children, his wife also receiving her dower according to justice and law. To Sir William Bergh, rector of the said church of S. Christopher, and parishioners of the same, he leaves certain rents in the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhull, so that they maintain thereout a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna, Anselina, and Alice his former wives, and others, within the said church of S. Christopher. In default the said rents to go to the rector and parishioners of S. Michael's upon Cornhull for like purposes. To Agnes his wife his tenements called "Legges-

<sup>1</sup> Cloth of crimson or blood colour.

aleye" in the parish of S. Bartholomew the Less for life; remainder to Thomas his son in tail; remainder to Emma, Agnes, and Margaret his daughters in equal portions. Also to Thomas his son tenements in the parishes of S. Michael le Quern and S. Michael upon Cornhull in tail; remainder to his aforesaid daughters. To Thomas Provendre and Emma, wife of the same, the testator's daughter, he leaves a brewery called "lez thre Nonnes" in the parish of S. Christopher in special tail, with remainders over; and similarly to John Shirbourne, vintner, and Agnes, wife of the same, another daughter of the testator, a tenement in Cornhull, parish of S. Michael. Dated London, Monday next before the Feast of Annunciation of V. Mary [25 March], A.D. 1388. Roll 120 (69).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

**Pykeman** (ANDREW), fishmonger.—To be buried in S. Mary's Chapel in the church of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate, to the rector and churchwardens of which he leaves certain shops in Thamysesstret, so that they maintain thereout a chantry in the aforesaid chapel for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna and Johanna his wives, Richard his father, Margaret his mother, Robert Pykeman and Sabine and Johanna, wives of the said Robert, Robert Furneux, and others; also that the said rector and churchwardens provide tapers on occasions specified. In default the same to go over to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City of London and their successors, for the use and maintenance of a chantry in Guildhall Chapel. To Margaret, daughter of John Sibille and of Cecilia, late wife of the same, and daughter of the testator, he leaves lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Mary atte Hull and S. Margaret de Breggestrete. Dated London, Sunday the Vigil of the Nativity of our Lord [25 Dec.], A.D. 1391.—Also he wills that his feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in the vill of Suthwerk, and in the parishes of Newenton and Camerwelle, co. Surrey, enfeoff the aforesaid Margaret, daughter of John Sibille, of the same as soon as she come to the age of fourteen years. Roll 120 (71).

**Brandon** (NICHOLAS), "stokfishmonger."—To be buried in the

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church of S. Magnus near London Bridge, to which he leaves divers sums of money for fabric, ministers, Fraternity of *Salve*, &c. Bequests also to the work of S. Paul's, to each of the four orders of friars in London, to the poor on beds and in various hospitals, the lepers in the three houses around London, to the inmates of Neugate, Ludgate, and the two Marshalseas; also to the churches of Clare, co. Suffolk, of All Saints, Walsyngham,<sup>1</sup> and of Wighton near Walsyngham, &c. To Agnes his wife he leaves certain rents issuing from a tenement called "le lamb on the hoop" in Thamysestret, parish of S. Magnus. His feoffees in trust of lands and tenements at New Wyndesore are instructed to deliver the same to his aforesaid wife; and similarly his feoffees of lands and tenements at Wighton aforesaid are to enfeoff Robert Wych his uncle and Johanna his sister of the same. Provision made for chantries in the churches of S. Magnus and of Wighton respectively. Certain sums of money to be divided among his poor neighbours upon London Bridge and the porters of Thamysestret. His wife to be put in possession of certain rents issuing from his tenement called "le Mayde on the hoop" in Suthwerk, on condition that she forego her dower of tenements at Wighton. Dated London, 4 November, A.D. 1391. Roll 120 (73).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

**Daudeley**<sup>2</sup> (NICHOLAS), lord of "Rouge Chastell"<sup>3</sup> and "Helegh."<sup>4</sup>—To be buried in the chancel of the church of his Abbey of Hulton<sup>5</sup> near his father's tomb. Directions as to burning of tapers, torches, and *morterez*,<sup>6</sup> and other particulars relating to his funeral. To the Abbey and church of Hulton he bequeaths, among other things, two large gilt chalices with stones, two patens, a large ivory image of Our Lady, a silver censer, and a gold cross with the *bastons* of four pieces and relics. His executors to purchase lands to the value of thirty *livres* by the year with which to endow the said abbey. To Elizabeth Daudeley his wife (*compaigne*) he leaves two thousand marks of silver, his entire

<sup>1</sup> Co. Norfolk.

<sup>2</sup> Or De Aldithley, son of James de Aldithley, who fought at the battle of Poitiers. He died, according to Dugdale, on the Feast of S. Mary Magdalen [22 July], 15 Richard II. [A.D. 1391].

<sup>3</sup> Red Castle, co. Salop.

<sup>4</sup> Co. Staff.

<sup>5</sup> Or Hilton, co. Stafford, where Henry de Audley erected an abbey for Cistercian monks in 1223.

<sup>6</sup> See notes *supra*, pp. 49, 152.

wardrobe, and his vessels of silver and gold, buckles, rings, &c. Bequests of money to Roger Mortymere, Henry Haggley and Alice, wife of the same, William Nassh, and John Marsshall; also to "Seyntoweyn," "Brodok," "Hekoc del Pantre," "Colyn del Pantre," and others; also to the friars of Hereford, Salop, Stafford, Chester, and New Castle under Lyme, and to twelve poor gentlewomen for marriage portions. The residue of his goods and chattels in England and "Gales"<sup>1</sup> he leaves to the aforesaid Elizabeth. Dated at his Castle of Helegh, Wednesday next before the Feast of Translation of S. Thomas the Martyr [7 July], 15 Richard II. [A.D. 1391]. Roll 120 (125).

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**Capelle (JOHN)**, cordwainer.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Dionisius Bakchirche. To Alice his wife he leaves certain shops in the parish of S. Dionisius aforesaid for life; remainder to John his son and Alice his daughter in successive tail. To William his son a shop in the same parish, a piece of silver, and silver spoons. To Isabella his daughter twenty shillings. Dated London, 9 August, A.D. 1390. Roll 120 (126).

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*Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and C. [13 Oct.].*

**Neve (WILLIAM)**, son of Nicholas Neve, late "burler,"<sup>2</sup> and of Johanna, wife of the same, daughter of Elias, son of Matthew le Chaundeller.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Swithin de Candelwykstret. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. To Johanna Maykyn, formerly wife of John Hale, late "sherman," he leaves certain rents and reversions in the parishes of S. Clement near Estchepe and S. Michael de Cokedlane for life; remainder to Thomas Hale her son for life; remainder to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Swithin aforesaid, for the maintenance of a chantry in the said church. Dated London, 22 September, A.D. 1391. Roll 121 (71).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Waldegrave (JOHN)**, "brewer."—Bequests to divers orders of

<sup>1</sup> Wales.

<sup>2</sup> Bureller.

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friars in London ; to the lepers at Hakeneye, at the *loke* without the bar of Suthwerk, and at the Hospital of S. Giles ; the College of S. Laurence Pulteney ; also to William, son of Robert Storal, Richard Wycok, his servants, and others. To the master of the hospital of Clotehale,<sup>1</sup> and to the church there, to buy a bell withal, he leaves forty shillings respectively. To Amicia his wife his tenement in the parish of S. Michael de Crokedlane for life ; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 14 May, A.D. 1387. Roll 121 (115).

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*Monday the Feast of SS. Fabian and Sebastian [20 Jan.].*

**Shiryngton** (RICHARD), "jualer."—To be buried in the church or churchyard of S. Christopher, London. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, also to poor inmates of hospitals and those lying on beds, the old and new work of S. Paul's, &c. The ordinaries to have ten shillings for probate of his will. Bequests to the rector and churchwardens of S. Christopher aforesaid for distribution among poor parishioners, for the repair of the church and ornaments, and for observing his obit. After the decease of Matilda his wife his tenements in the parish of S. Christopher aforesaid are to remain to John Pountfreyt and Katherine, wife of the same, in tail ; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. The residue of his goods and chattels, after payment of debts and legacies, he leaves to his wife by way of dower. Dated London, Thursday the Feast of Ascension [23 May], A.D. 1392. Roll 121 (122).

**Shirreve** (ROGER), clerk.—To be buried in the church of S. Martin near Ludgate, to the high altar of which he leaves seventeen shillings in memory of the Ten Commandments and of the Seven Mortal Sins.<sup>2</sup> Bequests also to the chaplains of the same church, to the old work of S. Paul's, to various orders of friars in London, &c. Bequest of an annuity of fifty shillings to John Haket, charged on his tenement in Bowyerrowe in the parish of S. Martin aforesaid. His houses and shops in the said street

<sup>1</sup> Clothall, co. Herts.

<sup>2</sup> (1) Pride, (2) Covetousness, (3) Sloth, (4) Gluttony, (5) Anger, (6) Envy, (7) Sloth. Also called the Seven Capital Sins.



and parish, as also a tenement called "Bell othe hope" in Bredestrete, to be sold within one year after his decease, and out of the proceeds five chaplains are to be maintained in the church of S. Martin for one year for the good of his soul, the souls of Simon Shirreve his father, Cicilia his mother, Adam Haket, and others, and two chaplains in the parish of All Hallows de Bredestrete. His manor of Northstede to be sold by his feoffees in trust for the purpose of fulfilling his testament. Also to the church of S. Martin aforesaid he leaves two missals, a *Catholicon*,<sup>1</sup> a Legend,<sup>2</sup> and a book called '*Pars Oculi*,'<sup>3</sup> and to the church of "Quodam,"<sup>4</sup> co. Kent, a vestment, chalice, &c. To Margery his kinswoman he gives all his vessels for her marriage, and any one who shall marry her and be willing to give one hundred and fifty pounds for the manor of Northstede above mentioned is to have it for that sum. Dated London, 26 November, A.D. 1392.

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*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

**Atte Feld** (JOHN), tanner.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Sepulchre's without Neugate. Bequests to the said church, and to divers orders of friars for trentals of masses; also to Alice his daughter, Mabel his sister, and others. To Alice his wife he leaves a moiety of his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid for life; remainder to his aforesaid daughter. Dated London, 14 February, A.D. 1390.

Roll 121 (131).

*Monday next before F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Boxford** (ROBERT), draper.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "Pardounchirchewawe." One moiety of his movable goods he leaves to Clemence his wife by way of her share of his goods, and out of the residue he makes divers bequests to the fabric of S. Paul's and of the church of S. Vedast, to poor prisoners in Neugate and Ludgate, to the Prior, Canons, &c., of S. Mary

<sup>1</sup> An Eastern name for the collected general epistles.

<sup>2</sup> Or Legend of the Saints; a book of the acts of the saints read throughout the year on certain days in the offices of the Western Church.

<sup>3</sup> See Part I. p. 607, note 1.

<sup>4</sup> Cowdham (the name is variously spelt Codeham, Cudham, and Coldham), co. Kent (Hasted's '*Hist. of Kent*,' vol. i. p. 118).

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de Overee in Suthwerk, the Master of the College of S. Laurence Pounteneye near Candelwykstrete, the ministers of the church of S. Mary Magdalen de Suthwerk; also for the repair of roads in the neighbourhood of London, and for distribution among the poor and infirm lying "bedreden" in the City and suburbs, &c. Bequests also to John Prentis his brother, John Gibbes, William Symme, and others. A certain rent issuing from a tenement called "le cok on the hoop" in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate to be sold to pay his debts. Dated at the priory aforesaid, the Feast of the Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.], 16 Richard II. [A.D. 1392-3].—Also to old Thomas, the bellringer of the priory, three shillings and fourpence. Roll 121 (145).

**Snypton (NICHOLAS).**—To be buried near Johanna his wife in the church of S. Laurence de Polteney. Bequests to the chaplain of the college of the said church, to the parish priest and chaplain of the church of All Hallows the Less upon the Solars (*super solariis*), &c.; also for painting an image of the Blessed Mary therein, and to the pardon of S. Paul (*ad perdonem Sancti Pauli*). To Mabel his wife he leaves certain tenements in the parishes of All Hallows the Less in the Ropery and S. James de Garlekhithe for life; remainder to Johanna and Alice his daughters in several tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. To William Prodhomme he leaves a *basinet* with *aventall*, a pair of *plates* with *legharneys*, *vambras*,<sup>1</sup> and *rerebras*. To Edmund Oliver a barrel (*barellam*) for keeping linen (armour?) and a fur of young otters (*de juvenis otres*). To Robert Steping a coat of mail and *cetelhat*;<sup>2</sup> and to John his servant his *cot-harmur*.<sup>3</sup> Dated London, 1 March, A.D. 1391. Roll 121 (146).

<sup>1</sup> Vambrace and rerebrace; armour plates for the front and back of the arm.

<sup>2</sup> A helm most probably made of leather; cf. a *palet*. It is, however, probable, says Way ('Prompt. Parv.'), that the name was likewise given to the *chapel de fer* or *capellus ferreus* used from the time of Edward II. until the sixteenth century, the form being at all times nearly the same, and from the wide projecting brim bearing much resemblance to a caul-

dron. Among bequests made by Sir William Langford in 1411 are the following:—"Also a basynet with a ventaille, a pare of vambrace and rerebrace, a pair of legge herneys.....Also to Henre my son an aburioun, a *ketil hatte*" ('Earliest English Wills,' ed. by Dr. Furnivall, Early English Text Society, p. 19).

<sup>3</sup> Coat-armour; a linen covering worn over the armour on which was emblazoned the bearer's coat of arms. This usage became necessary for purposes of identification at a time when the fea-

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**Wyght** (WILLIAM), "stokfissmonger."—To be buried in the cloister of S. Laurence de Pulteneye. To each of his daughters Agnes, Margaret, Beatrix, and Alice, fifty pounds sterling for their marriage or for entering a religious house; and to Nicholas, John, William, and Richard his sons respectively, twenty pounds sterling. The custody of his said children to be in the discretion of his executors. His lands, tenements, &c., in the vills and parishes of Cheyham,<sup>1</sup> Hedleigh,<sup>2</sup> and Leddrede,<sup>3</sup> and elsewhere in co. Surrey, to remain to his son Nicholas aforesaid. To Johanna his wife he leaves all his lands and tenements in the City of London for life. To John his son the reversion of a tenement called "le Vyne" in the parish of S. Peter upon Cornhull, and tenements in Minchonlane in the parish of S. Dunstan towards the Tower. To William and Richard his sons the reversion of tenements called "le Blakerente," adjoining Distafane in the parish of S. Augustine near S. Paul's Gate. Also to the aforesaid Nicholas the reversion of mansions in the parish of S. Leonard de Estchepe. Thomas his brother appointed one of his executors. Dated London, Tuesday the Vigil of the Nativity of our Lord [25 Dec.], A.D. 1392. Roll 121 (200).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Botolph, Abbot [17 June].*

**Offham** (JOHN), apothecary.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Magdalen de Milkstrete. Bequests of money and wax tapers to the said church as well as to his fraternity at Brokham and the churches of S. Peter at the Cross of Chepe and of Bas-singesshawe. Bequests to his apprentices, who are to continue to serve Cecilia his wife; to a chaplain saying divine service in the church of S. Mary aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Walter his father, Alice his mother, and others; to the Friars Minors of London, to Peter and Thomas his sons, and others. To

tures were concealed by the *aventaille*; but it was not generally adopted till the time of Henry III. Chaucer thus describes the various articles of a knight's apparel:—

And next his schert an aketoun,  
And over that an habergeoun  
For persyng of his hert;  
And over that a fyn hauberk

Was all iwrought of Jewes werk,  
Full strong it was of plate;  
And over that his *cote-armour*  
As whyt as is a lily flour  
In which he would debate.

'Tale of Sir Thopas,' 149-157.

<sup>1</sup> Cheam.

<sup>2</sup> Headly.

<sup>3</sup> Leatherhead.

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Master Nigel Algar he leaves a silver cup with covercle having his sign. To Gregory Fanelore his grey horse (*equum meum gray*). To Robert Herlawe a piece of silver with a mark of an abbot. To William Ponk, formerly his apprentice, a sword, a pair of *plates* and a pair of gloves of *plate*, his best *basyne*, and a painted box. To Cecilia his wife he leaves all his tenements in London for life; remainder to Thomas and Peter his sons in successive tail; remainder to the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church of S. Mary Magdalen. A certain house towards Canongate in the city of Chichester he leaves to the Sub-Dean of Chichester and his successors for ever for their prayers. Dated London, Friday next after the Feast of SS. Tiburcius and Valerian [14 April], A.D. 1361. Roll 121 (204).

Clenhond (JOHN).—To be buried in the church of the Carmelite Friars near Cecilia his former wife. Bequests to the convent of the same, and for glazing a window in the aforesaid church; also to ministers of the church of S. Bartholomew the Less for saying every night after *Salve Regina*, and on the morrow after mass of *Salve Sancta Parens*, a *De Profundis* with prayer *Inclina Domine*, with the clause "*pro anima famuli tui Johannis*," and for paving the said church, and for painting an image of the Blessed Mary, &c.; to the work of S. Paul's, and the churches of S. Katherine towards the Tower and of All Hallows de Berkyngcherche, the church of Munden, co. Herts, the nuns of Stratford, the Prior and Convent of *la Charthus* near London, &c. To the rector of the church of S. Michael de Crokedlane, Friar Robert Yvory, provincial of the order of Carmelite Friars, Thomas Brandon, formerly living at Bruges in Flanders, Agnes, daughter of Nicholas le Fuller, and others, he leaves sums of money and chattels, comprising mazer cups, *Bykers*, tablecloths, quart pots, pint pots (*measure unius pynti*), towels of Amyas<sup>1</sup> work, &c. To Idonia his wife he leaves two hundred pounds and all his silver vessels not otherwise disposed of, and everything appertaining to the chamber, hall, butlery, and kitchen, or in the alternative five hundred marks without these goods, according as she may elect, provided she accept the same by way of dower. To John, Thomas,

<sup>1</sup> Amiens.

and William his sons his tenements in the parishes of All Hallows de Berkyngcherche and S. Michael upon Cornhull in several tail ; remainder in trust for the repair of London Wall, London Bridge, the Conduit, the College of Guildhall, &c., at the discretion of the Mayor and Aldermen, as well as in aid of the works and ornaments of the said parish churches. His wife to have the charge of his aforesaid sons and of their property during minority, she giving security at the Guildhall for the purpose according to the custom. Dated 14 June, A.D. 1390. Roll 121 (211).

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*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

**Burford** (WILLIAM), "belyeter."<sup>1</sup> —To be buried in the church of S. Botolph without Algate. Bequests to the said church, ministers and lights of S. Mary and S. Katherine therein. Johanna his wife to maintain a lamp to burn before the high cross in the said church during her lifetime. Bequests also to the old work of S. Paul's, to each of the five orders of mendicant friars in London, the convent of the Minoresses without Algate, the convent of Haliwell, the inmates of divers hospitals, to poor bedefolk (*pauperibus oratricis*) at S. Katherine's near the Tower and Elsyngspitell, the prisoners in Newgate and Ludgate, &c. Bequest of one hundred pounds sterling for the maintenance of two chantries in the above church for the good of his soul, the souls of Elena his former wife and others. To Robert his son he leaves the tenement in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate which he acquired from Alice Pereris, all his craft implements, &c. Also to the aforesaid Johanna his wife all his vessels, utensils, jewels, &c., appertaining to his "houshold." Dated London, 12 February, A.D. 1390. Roll 122 (20).

**Lincoln** (WILLIAM DE), saddler.—To be buried in the church of

<sup>1</sup> *I.e.* bell-founder, an early instance of the English form, which gave the name to a street corruptly called Billiter Street. The craft was originally represented by the Potters. The Latin form *campanarius* occurs in a deed, probably of the twelfth century, preserved among the archives of S. Paul's, and as early as A.D. 1216 in the 'Liber de Antiquis' of the City Records. Burford's will has been printed by the late Mr. Stahlschmidt in his work on 'Surrey Bells and London Bell-Founders' (Elliot Stock, 1884).

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S. Vedast near Amicia his wife. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, and the light of the Fraternity of the Holy Cross therein; also to the five orders of mendicant friars in London, the monks of the New Abbey near the Tower, the work of the church of S. Thomas de Acres near the Conduit, to every anchorite recluse within the liberty of the City, the Fraternities of S. Giles without Crepulgate and of the "Charnell" in S. Paul's churchyard, &c. For covering the roof of the church of S. Vedast with lead he leaves one hundred shillings, otherwise only thirteen shillings and fourpence. To the good men of the mistery (*misteri*) of "Sadellers" a sum of money on condition they build a common hall for the use of the mistery within three years next after his decease, otherwise the same is to be distributed among the members of the craft. To Alice his wife all his tenements in Chepe and Gudrun-lane for life, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Vedast aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Walter his father, Margaret his mother, John, Richard, and William his brothers, and others, and with providing certain tapers to burn during the singing of *Salve* and celebration of mass; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Sir John de Lynton, rector of the church of S. Vedast, appointed surveyor of his testament. Dated London, 20 November, A.D. 1392. Roll 122 (22).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Holbech** (MATILDA, relict of WILLIAM, draper).—To be buried in the church of S. Dunstan "Est," near the window she lately made. To fifteen poor men and fifteen poor women she leaves sufficient cloth of Russet for a mantle and hood and a *kyrtell* of *Blankette* to each, and the sum of six shillings and eightpence. To Cecilia, daughter of Thomas Hauteyn, she leaves certain tenements in the parish of S. Benedict Schorhogge in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Other tenements in the parishes of S. Benedict de Graschirch, S. Laurence near Candelwykstret, and S. Nicholas Hacon to be sold for like purposes. An annual quitrent of ten marks, issuing from tenements held by her and Hugh Southern her former husband, to be devoted to a chantry in the church of S. Dunstan aforesaid. To John Clee,

draper, and "Senicla" his wife she leaves her leasehold interest in a tenement called "Sernetestour"<sup>1</sup> in Bokeleresbury. To the house of Chestehunte ten marks. To the house of Hethyng-ham<sup>2</sup> for a dormitory and for erecting stalls in the choir ten pounds. To the church of Little Totham<sup>3</sup> her new missal. Bequests also of three pairs of vestments, viz., one best pair for festivals, another white pair for Lent, and another pair for weekdays, together with her missal and silver chalice for use at the altar of S. Margaret in the church of S. Dunstan aforesaid. After many other bequests to individuals, she leaves the residue of her goods to assist poor students in the universities of Oxford and Cambridge, for repair of roads, marriage portions of poor maidens, &c. Dated London, 29 July, A.D. 1392.—Also to Amy living in the Convent of Stratford twenty marks, provided she take the veil.

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*Monday next before F. of SS. Fabian and Sebastian [20 Jan.].*

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**Boterwyk (JOHN).**—To be buried in the church of All Hallows de Bredestrete. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein; also to Thomas, son of Geoffrey Walpole, and others. To Alice his wife he leaves all his lands and tenements in the parishes of All Hallows aforesaid, S. Sepulchre without Neugate, and S. Nicholas at the Shambles for life; remainders to Robert his son and to John Ixnyng and Elizabeth, wife of the same, the testator's daughter. Dated London, 21 April, A.D. 1390.

Roll 122 (32).

**Dymmok (JOHN), "taillour."**—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Mary de Bothhawe. Bequests to the said church, and provision made for a chantry therein; also to the mendicant friars of London, the prisoners in Newgate, Ludgate, the King's Bench, and *la Flete*; the Fraternity of the Resurrection, &c. Directions as to burning torches and tapers at his funeral, and their subsequent distribution among the churches of S. Mary aforesaid, S. Thomas de Acon near the Conduit, the chapel of the

<sup>1</sup> To the various modes of spelling this name already mentioned (*supra*, p. 104n.), another may be added, namely, that of "Sylvestretour," found among the archives of S. Paul's Cathedral.

<sup>2</sup> Hedingham, co. Essex, where there was a nunnery of the Benedictine Order.

<sup>3</sup> Co. Essex.

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Fraternity of S. John of the Tailors, and the church of Wodesbury, where he was born. To William his brother he leaves his best robe of the livery of his lord (*de liberata domini mei*). To Henry Boude his kinsman a robe of the livery of the Lord Bishop of Chester, a long cloak of red and black, and twenty shillings. To John Gilbert his wife's brother a girdle of black silk harnesssed with silver, a *dagg*<sup>1</sup> and a *basilard* harnesssed with silver. To Robert Here his servant a long gown of striped cloth (*de stragulo*) furred with *bever*, a silver girdle, a *baselard* harnesssed with silver, a doublet with coat of mail, a *palet*<sup>1</sup> with hood, and twenty pounds sterling, that he may consent to act as executor; and to John Mere his servant a gown furred with otter (*cum otris*) and twenty shillings on like terms. To Margery his wife a tenement called "le ship on the hope" in Tourstrete, parish of All Hallows de Berkyngechirche, for life; remainder to John Gilbert. His joint feoffees of lands and tenements in the parish of Stanwell, co. Middlesex, are desired to make a good estate of the same to his aforesaid wife for life; remainders to the aforesaid John Gilbert and Robert Here for their respective lives; remainder to John Partrich, Master of the Fraternity of S. John of the Tailors of London, and wardens of the same, for maintaining a chaplain and the brethren and sisters of the said fraternity, on condition that the said fraternity pay to Margery his wife the sum of twenty-four pounds due to the testator; otherwise the property is to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 22 August, A.D. 1393. Roll 122 (33).

*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul* [25 Jan.].

**Elys** (MARTIN), Minor Canon of S. Paul's.—To be buried in the churchyard of the canons near Sir Simon Charulton. Bequests to the Major Canons Stagiary,<sup>2</sup> Minor Canons, chaplains, and others

<sup>1</sup> Usually described as a kind of head-piece or skull-cap. If that be the meaning here the addition of a hood would seem superfluous. Among the jewels deposited with the Corporation in 1379 for a loan of 5,000*l.* by King Richard II. was a *palet* of gold; and again in the following year, when the king desired a further advance, he deposited among other royal jewels

"a *palet* of gold called 'the Palet of Spain,' garnished with divers pearls and precious stones, weighing 100 nobles and 80 pounds, and valued in all at 1,708 pounds." Riley is inclined to think from the weight here given that the *palet* may not have been so much a head-piece as a coat of mail ('Memorials,' pp. 429, 444, note).

<sup>2</sup> Or residentiary canons.



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of the said church of S. Paul, for masses, &c., and also to the canons of the priories of S. Bartholomew, Elsyngspitel, S. Mary without Bisshopesgate, H. Trinity, London, and S. Mary de Suthwerk, the canonesses of Halywelle, Clerkenwell, and Keleburne, &c. To the church of S. Faith he leaves his chalice and portifory with music of the use of S. Paul.<sup>1</sup> To his brethren the Minor Canons living in their common hall<sup>2</sup> he leaves his books, viz., *Decretales Summarum*, and ecclesiastical stories of the weaknesses and virtues of the four Evangelists, with glosses; a book called *Racionale Divinorum*, a book, in quires and unbound, of divers treatises after the manner of concordances, a "Briton,"<sup>3</sup> and a Legend of Saints; also his vessels of brass and pewter, table linen, a silver bowl with the name of Jesus on the bottom, a mazer cup having on the botton the passion of S. Thomas the Martyr, and another mazer cup with silver covercle called "Pardoneuppe"; also his houses in Ivylane. To the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's he leaves all his rents and houses in Secollane in the parish of S. Sepulchre upon conditions specified. His image of silver gilt representing the Resurrection he bequeaths to the Monastery of S. Alban, to be borne in processions on stated occasions. To Alice, wife of Roger Elys, "wexchandler," Roger Stokes, "wexchandler," and Johanna, wife of the same, Juliana and Isabella his sisters, Master John Barnet, rector of the church of Leveryngton, Sir William Ryffyn, Sir Robert Dokesworth, and Sir John Lynton, Minor Canons of S. Paul's, and others, he leaves sums of money and household goods, comprising a bed coverlet of green, with tester powdered with dragons and birds, bed curtains, &c. Bequests also to the chapel of Walsingham, the altar of Wardon, co. Beds, every prior of the Carthusian Order in

<sup>1</sup> As to this use see Calendar, Part I. p. 644 n.

<sup>2</sup> The Minor Canons of S. Paul's were not incorporated as a college till the year after the testator's death, viz., 18 Richard II. They anciently, says Newcourt, dwelt in separate houses, some within the precincts of the churchyard and some without, but afterwards met together in a common hall or refectory which stood on the north side of the church, near Pardonchurch-haw ('Repertorium,' i. 232).

<sup>3</sup> *Unum Britonem*; probably meaning

a treatise on law written in French, attributed by some to John Breton, Bishop of Hereford, and a judge. The bishop, however, died anno 3 Edward I., and the treatise notices statutes made anno 13 Edward I., and this circumstance has led others to consider the treatise as nothing more than an abridgment of Bracton's work, with additions made to the law since Bracton's time. It is further supposed that it came to be called "Briton" as being one of the names of Bracton himself (Reeves's 'Hist. of the English Law,' ii. 280-1).

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England, the fabric of London Bridge, &c. Dated London, 18 June, A.D. 1393.—At his special request the seal of the official of the Court of Canterbury was affixed to his testament in place of his own, which was but little known. Roll 122 (39).

**Baterell alias De Flete (MARY).**—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Brigid in Fletestrete. Bequests to the rector, chaplain, &c., of the church of S. Clement without "Templebarre." To William de Ledes, Canon of the Collegiate Church of H. Cross, Criditon, all her lands and tenements in Fletestrete. To Alice Maschall, Alice Mery, and others, she leaves divers kerchiefs (*flammeola*); and to Alice her servant an old bed of green, red, and blue colour, with blankets and sheets. Dated 5 October, A.D. 1393. Roll 122 (40).

**Sandherst (JOHN),** chandler.—To be buried in the church of S. Magnus near London Bridge. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein; and to each of the four orders of friars in London, and the Friars of the Cross near the Tower, for prayers for his soul and the souls of Cristina his former wife and others. To Cecilia his wife he leaves all his lands, tenements, and rents in the parishes of S. Benedict de Graschirche and S. Edmund de Lombardstret for life, she paying an annuity to Margery his daughter, a nun in the isle of Shepeye; remainder to Richard and William his sons in equal portions. In the event of his said sons dying without issue the same to remain to Elianora and Johanna junior, his daughters, for their lives; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Also to William his son the reversion of a tenement situate at *le Hole* in the parish of S. Magnus aforesaid, in tail, with remainders to the aforesaid Richard, Elianora, and Johanna junior. Cecilia his wife to have the custody of his children during minority, she giving surety at the Guildhall. Dated London, 20 September, A.D. 1393.—Also after making the above testament he wills that if all his aforesaid children die without leaving issue, the above property is to

<sup>1</sup> A convent was founded at Minster, on the island of Sheppey, co. Kent, by the mother of King Egbert, *circa* 675. It suffered much from invasions of the Danes, by whom at last the house was destroyed. It was, however, rebuilt and replenished with Benedictine nuns *circa* 1130.

remain to Johanna senior his daughter (if surviving) for life, and after her decease sold as is aforesaid. A.D.  
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Roll 122 (41).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

**Leycestre** (JOHN), merchant.—Bequests to the rector and clerks of the church of S. Nicholas Acon. To Margaret his sister his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Laurence Pulteneye in tail; remainder to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London and their successors for the maintenance of the City's conduits. Dated London, 19 May, A.D. 1391. Roll 122 (45).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

**White** (Walter).—His tenements in the parish of S. Dionisius de Bakcherche to be sold for pious and charitable uses, repair of roads, &c. The reversion also of his lands and tenements in Wadesmeln<sup>1</sup> and in the parish of Staundon, co. Herts, accruing after the decease of Isabella his wife, to be likewise sold for pious uses. Dated London, 1 October, 17 Richard II. [A.D. 1393].

Roll 122 (52).

*Monday next after F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Vynent** (THOMAS), mercer.—To be buried in the chancel of S. John the Evangelist in the church of S. Laurence in Old Jewry. Directions for providing cloth and wax tapers at his funeral and as to their subsequent disposal. Bequests to the aforesaid church and ministers thereof, to the church of S. Paul and the fabric of the shrine of S. Arkenwald therein, and to the house of the Minoreesses without Algate; also to Henry Aleyn, John Pynk, "Chapman," John Chamberleyn, his apprentices, servants, and others. To Roger Wryngesworth he leaves a cup harnessed with silver gilt called "Note in Cristemasse." His executors to give assistance to any trusty merchant or mercer (*mercator vel mercerus*) who had been a customer of the testator and had come to poverty. Bequests for the maintenance of chantries for the good of his soul, the souls of John his father, Juliana his mother, and others, and also for the maintenance of chantry

<sup>1</sup> Wades Mill, near Thundridge, co. Herts, situate a little to the south-west | of Standon on the Ermin Street. Perhaps connected with Lat. *Vadum*.

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**1393-4.** priests in the churches of S. Stephen in Colmanstrete, S. Olave in the Old Jewry, and S. Laurence aforesaid. Cristiana his wife to have a life interest in his tenement in the parish of S. Michael, Queenhithe; remainders over. Dated London, 18 March, 16 Richard II. [A.D. 1392-3]. Roll 122 (67).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Potenham (WILLIAM)**, "girdeler."—To be buried in the church of S. Laurence in the Jewry before the image of S. Katherine, where lies the body of Christina his late wife. Bequests to the said church, its vicar and chaplains, and the chaplain of the Fraternity of the Holy Cross therein; for providing cloth, tapers, and torches at his funeral; to each of the four orders of mendicant friars in London, viz., the Minors, Augustinian and Preaching Friars, and Carmelites; also to John Copelyn his brother, residing in Potenham, and John his brother, residing in Wynchestre; to Idonia, Matilda, Katherine, Johanna junior, and William, children of John Potenham, Alice Dawe, and others. To Thomas and William his sons, and to Alice his daughter, he leaves a certain tenement in the parish of S. Laurence aforesaid in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Alice his wife appointed guardian of his children and of their property up to the age of sixteen years without rendering any account for the same. Two chantry priests to be provided for the church of S. Laurence aforesaid, and one for the church of S. Alphege near Crepulgate. Dated London, 26 September, A.D. 1393. Roll 122 (81).

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**1394.** *Monday next after F. of Annunciation of V. Mary [25 March].*

**Boseham (JOHN)**, mercer.—His rents and tenements in the parishes of S. Michael de Bassynggeshagh and S. Pancras, and in "Sevenhodlane" in the parish of S. Laurence in Old Jewry, to be sold by his executors, and the proceeds devoted to pious and

<sup>1</sup> Various spelt "Sevehodeslane," "Sefhodlane," and "Sofhodlane"; a lane not easy to identify at the present day. Mr. Maxwell Lyte mentions it in his Calendar of the Archives of S. Paul's. Cathedral as being within the parish of S. Martin Pomer. Its situation in or near the Jewry suggests the possibility of a Hebrew root to the name.

charitable uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Felicia his late wife and others. Dated London, 8 October, A.D. 1393.

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Roll 122 (86).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

**Waltham** (THOMAS), late burgess of Kyngeston upon Hull.—To be buried in the chapel of the H. Trinity of Kyngeston upon Hull. Leaves his best horse by way of mortuary. To Friar John Richemond five marks sterling for celebrating an annual<sup>1</sup> (*unum annuale*) for the good of his soul. To Katherine his wife all his lands, tenements, rents, &c., within the City of London and neighbourhood for life; remainder to his right heirs. Dated at Kyngeston upon Hull, Tuesday next after the Feast of S. Martin in Yeme [11 Nov.], A.D. 1392.

Be it remembered that the devise of tenements in the above will appearing to the Mayor and Aldermen to be too general, they ordered John Byngelee and Katherine his wife, relict and executrix of the testator, to specify the tenements aforesaid, which they did, as appears by deed of Stephen, son of Hugh de Waltham, made by Thomas de Holecote, rector of the church of All Hallows de Stanyngchirch, and enrolled in the Husting of Pleas of Land held on Monday next before the Feast of S. Botolph [17 June], 11 Edward III. A.D. 1337].<sup>2</sup>

Roll 122 (102).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Blakeneye** (JOHN), fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of the Carthusian monastery near Westsmethefeld, to which monastery he leaves all his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Nicholas Coldabbey and S. Mary Somerset, so that the monks say weekly a *De Profundis*, &c., for the good of his soul. Also to the said monks he leaves the sum of thirty pounds sterling for the masonry of their new chapter house, together with a vestment and a chalice. Bequests also to the work of S. Paul's, the church of Charneton (?), co. Norfolk, the churches of S. Nicholas and S. Mary aforesaid, and others; to divers orders of friars; the lepers

<sup>1</sup> Service for the dead held on the anniversary of the day of their decease; a year's mind.

<sup>2</sup> From this deed, enrolled in Hust. Roll 64 (84), the property here devised

appears to have been situate in the parishes of S. James Garlickhithe, S. Stephen de Colmanstrete, and S. Michael de la Crokedelane.

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at *le loke*, Hakeneye, and S. Giles without Holbourne; the convents of Haliwell and Clerkenwell, and the house of H. Trinity within Algate. Provision made for chantries in the churches of Cleye,<sup>1</sup> Wyveton, Blakeneye,<sup>2</sup> Sheryngton,<sup>3</sup> and Brynnyngham, co. Norfolk, and bequests of vestments, chalices, and missals for the same. Bequest of twenty marks for hiring some chaplain to go to Rome and there remain for one year to pray for his soul, and ten pounds for getting two men to travel to S. James in Galacia (*sic*) in fulfilment of his vow. Among other bequests are the following:—to the poor of the vills and parishes of Cleye, Wyveton, Blakeneye, Charneton, Brynnyngham, Stodeye, and Honeworth,<sup>4</sup> a bushel of salt (*salis grossi*); to Richard Newenton, the King's Sergeant, his best horse; to John Wade, fishmonger, his best sword and *bokeler* covered with plates of silver; and to Sewall Hodesdon, fishmonger, his best bed with tester. Bequests also to the prior and others of the house of S. Saviour de Bermundesseye. Dated Suthwerk, 10 February, A.D. 1393. Roll 122 (112).

Grenyngham (AVICE, late wife of WILLIAM).—To be buried near her late husband in the porch of the church of S. Margaret de Lothebury. Bequests to the said church and various chaplains therein, and to divers orders of friars; also to William Kyng her brother, Nicholas Bedyngton, mercer, her kinsman, and others. To Alice, wife of William Kyng aforesaid, and to Agnes, wife of Nicholas Bedyngton aforesaid, respectively, she leaves a pair of *paternostres* with silver fermails hanging thereto. To Johanna Therlawe her best furred gown and her best basin and ewer. Provision made for a chantry in the church of S. Margaret aforesaid for the space of six years next after her decease. To John Stebenheth her kinsman she leaves her quitrents in Colmanstret in the parish of S. Stephen. Dated London, 22 November, A.D. 1386. Roll 122 (113).

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*Monday the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

Walleworth (MARGARET, relict of WILLIAM, Knt.).—Her tene-

<sup>1</sup> Cley-next-the-Sea, co. Norfolk.

<sup>2</sup> Or Snitterley.

<sup>3</sup> Sharrington.

<sup>4</sup> Hunworth.

ments near Billyngesgate in Thamisestret in the parish of S. Mary atte Hull, and in Tourstret in the parishes of S. Dunstan and S. Margaret Patyns, as well as in the parishes of S. Alban in Wodestret and S. Giles without Crepulgate and elsewhere, to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Mention made of "Love-lane," formerly called "Roppelane," near Billingsgate. Dated London, 12 January, A.D. 1393.

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Roll 123 (7).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Bonauntre** (THOMAS), "tapicer," of the parish of S. Deonisius de Bakchirche.—To be buried in the porch under the belfry of the said parish church. To Matilda his wife a brewery, bakehouse, shops, and houses in Fanchirchestret at the corner of Martlane in the parish of All Hallows de Stanyng for life, so long as she remain unmarried and chaste ; remainder in trust for sale to fulfil his testament concerning his goods and chattels if necessary, and for pious uses in the aforesaid church for the good of his soul, the souls of William his father, Agnes his mother, Matilda his wife, and others. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves his tenements in the parishes of S. Deonisius de Bakchirche and S. Mary de Fanchirche for life ; remainders to William, John senior, and John junior, his sons, for their several lives ; remainder in trust for pious uses. Among the tenements is mentioned a brewery called "le Papegeay" in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid. To Sir William de Calceby, rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Deonisius aforesaid, an annual rent of ten shillings issuing from a brewery and shops called "le Sterre on the hoop," situate in the High Street of the parish of S. Deonisius, for keeping his obit. His feoffees to make a good estate to his aforesaid wife of a life interest in his lands and tenements at Chikewelle and in the parish of Berkyng, co. Essex, with remainder to William his son. John Bonauntre his brother appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 15 April, A.D. 1394.

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**Eleys** (JOHN) de Holborn.—To be buried in the church of S. Andrew in Holborn. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, and Fraternity of S. Sithe<sup>1</sup> therein ; also to Elena, Margaret, and

<sup>1</sup> S. Osithe, Virgin and Martyr. A City | was dedicated to this saint, now only church, near that of S. Bennet Sherehog, | remembered by "Size Lane."

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Alice his daughters. To Johanna his wife he leaves his tenement in the parish aforesaid (*sic*) for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated A.D. 1394. Roll 123 (18).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop [11 Nov.].*

**Kyng (WILLIAM)**, draper.—Bequests to the vicar and ministers of the church of S. Stephen de Colmanstrete, charged on his tenements called “le Kyngesaleye” in the parish of S. Stephen aforesaid and others, for keeping his obit and the obits of Alice his wife, John his father, and William his grandfather in the said church; also to the rector of the church of S. James de Garlekhithe for like purpose. To the Abbot and Convent of S. Osithe,<sup>1</sup> co. Essex, he leaves two marks annual rent, issuing from a tenement called “la heighous” in Colmanstrete, by way of pittance for the canons. To Alice his wife he gives a life interest in all his tenements and rents in the City of London so long as she remain unmarried and is willing to accept as her share of his movable goods what he bequeaths to her in another testament; otherwise the same are to be sold. Chantry to be maintained in the churches of S. James aforesaid, S. Mary le Bow, S. Stephen in Colmanstrete, and Aldermarychirche, as well as in the houses of the mendicant friars in London. Dated London, Munday next after the Feast of Invention of H. Cross [3 May], A.D. 1393. Roll 123 (40).

**Kyng (WILLIAM)**, draper.—Testament concerning movable goods and chattels. To Alice his wife, by way of dower and her share of his goods, he leaves two hundred marks of silver and all his utensils and bustilments of house and shop. To the rector and parishioners of the church of S. James de Garlekhithe he leaves a sum of six shillings and eightpence, his book called “le Bible” in French (*gallicis compositum*), and another book called *Liber Regalis*, which he wishes to be placed for use in the said church, and to be fastened with chains, like the book

<sup>1</sup> According to legendary belief a nunnery dedicated to SS. Peter and Paul was built by S. Osithe or Ositha, daughter of King Frithwald and queen to Sighere, King of the East Saxons, at Crich, co. Essex, where she is said to have lived as a religious, till massacred

by the Danes A.D. 653. What is more certain is that an Augustinian priory in her honour was founded at that place by Richard Belmeis, Bishop of London, about the beginning of the twelfth century.



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before the image of S. Mary de Neuwerk<sup>1</sup> in S. Paul's, to prevent their removal. A chantry also to be maintained within the said church. To the church of S. Stephen de Colmanstrete he leaves a psalter. Bequests also to the prisoners in Neugate and the Marshalsea, and the King's Bench at Storteford, Colchestre, Bury, and Canterbury by turn; the nuns of Sopwell,<sup>2</sup> of Pray<sup>3</sup> near S. Alban, of Chesthunte, Stratford, Clerkenwell, Halywell, and Kilbourne; the monks of the Carthusian Order near Westsmythfeld; the inmates of divers hospitals; the lepers at *le lokes* near Suthwerk, "yeveneye" (?) near Hakeneye, and at S. Giles; the Prior and Canons of Bliburgh,<sup>4</sup> &c.; and to Robert Luton his brother, William Sonyngwell, mercer, and many others. Bequests also to the Abbot and Convent of S. Osithe,<sup>5</sup> among which is his book called 'Cronicles' in French. Dated London, Monday next after the Invention of H. Cross [3 May], A.D. 1393.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

Eynesham (WILLIAM), pepperer.—To be buried in the churchyard of the New Hospital of S. Mary without Bisshopesgate near the tomb of Johanna his late wife. To John Cros, pepperer, shops in the parishes of All Hallows under London Wall, S. Andrew Hubert near Estchepe, and S. Mary de Fancherche, and at the corner of Secollane for life; remainder to John Eynesham, the testator's son, for life; remainder to the prior and convent of the aforesaid hospital for the relief of the sick, and for maintaining a chantry in the chapel called "le Charnel" in the churchyard of the same for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his wife, Robert his father, Alice his mother, and others. Also to John his son a brewery called "le Glene<sup>6</sup> on the hop" in the parish of S. Michael at Quenheth, a brewery and shops in the parish of S. Brigid in Fletstret near "Topclyvesyn," others in West-

<sup>1</sup> Of the New Work in contradistinction to the Old Work of S. Paul's.

<sup>2</sup> Benedictine nunnery near S. Albans.

<sup>3</sup> An abbot of S. Albans founded a house or hospital for poor sick and leprous women in honour of the Blessed Virgin in the meadows adjoining the abbey. The hospital came thus to be

known by the name of "De La Pray," or *De pratis juxta S. Albanum*.

<sup>4</sup> Co. Suffolk. A priory of Black Canons, a cell to the Abbey of S. Osithe in Essex.

<sup>5</sup> Co. Essex. See note *supra*, p. 312.

<sup>6</sup> Probably a sheaf (or ear?) of corn. This seems preferable to "gleve" = glaive, a short sword.

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smythfeld in the parish of S. Sepulchre, a tenement called "le Raven" in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen in Milkstret, and tenements in Frydastret in the parish of S. John the Evangelist and elsewhere, to hold in tail; remainder to the aforesaid hospital. Dated London, 28 November, A.D. 1391.

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*Monday next before F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Tyderle** (JOHN), skinner.—To be buried in the church of S. Stephen de Walbrok. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, and to the Fraternity of Skinners of London. Also to Sir John Broun, rector of the aforesaid church, he leaves forty shillings on condition that he be surveyor of this his testament. His feoffees of a certain tenement in S. Swithin Lane near Candelwykstret are to sell the same as soon as possible, William Framelyngham being preferred purchaser, and the proceeds to be devoted to pious uses. The residue of his goods, after discharge of debts, to be divided into three parts, whereof one part is to go to Alice his wife by way of dower and her share of his goods, another part to be divided equally among his children, and the third part to be devoted to the good of his soul. Dated London, 29 December, A.D. 1393. Roll 123 (87).

*Monday next before F. of S. Edward, K. and M. [18 March].*

**Seman** (JOHN), called "Ragenhill," fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas Coldabbey, in the same tomb as Johanna his late wife. To Cecilia his wife for life he leaves lands, tenements, and a moiety of a wharf called "le Saltwharff" in the parishes of S. Botolph without Aldrichegate and S. Michael, Queenhithe, on condition that she claim not her dower of his lands and tenements in the Old Jewry and the Fish Market. To Johanna, daughter of Robert Seman his brother, a shop in the Fish Market in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid to hold in tail; remainder to Cecilia his wife for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of his aforesaid wives, and others; and for the repair of highways, charitable gifts to poor fishmongers, &c. To Nicholas Welbergh, late his apprentice, he leaves a shop in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid

in the Old Fish Market, charged with a certain payment for the work of the nave of the said church, providing lights, &c. Certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Olave in the Old Jewry to be sold for pious uses in the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid. Dated at Westminster, 20 September, A.D. 1394. A.D.  
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Roll 123 (102).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Mokeron** (WILLIAM), brewer.—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate before the high cross. Bequests to the said church, to Sir John Porter the rector, and clerks of the same. Bequests to five orders of friars in London for masses. The sum of twenty pence to be given to the poor every week upon Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday for one year next after his decease. Three chantry priests to be maintained in the aforesaid church for one year for the good of his soul, the souls of Walter his father, Agnes his mother, and others. Chantries also to be maintained in the chapel of S. Nicholas before the sick in the Hospital of S. Mary without Bisshopesgate, and in the parish church of Yenge atte Stone,<sup>1</sup> co. Essex. Bequests for the repair of a certain road between Yenge atte Stone and Brendwode,<sup>2</sup> called “Stottisbrook” and “Brichwodebrigge”; to the work of S. Paul’s; to the Prior, Canons, &c., of the Hospital of S. Mary aforesaid; to John, son of John Mokeron his brother, his servants, and others. Johanna his wife to have a life interest in certain shops in Bisshopisgatestrete. Dated London, 24 December, A.D. 1394.

Roll 123 (103).

**Southam** (JOHN), “stokfisshmongere.”—To be buried in the church of S. Laurence de Pulteney. To Margaret his wife rents in the Poultry in the parish of S. Mildred for life; remainder to pious uses. William Prodhorne his apprentice to serve his wife so long as she remain unmarried, but to be absolutely free immediately upon her marrying again during his term. Dated London, the morrow of S. James [25 July], A.D. 1382. Roll 123 (116).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].* A.D.  
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**Wolrich** (WILLIAM), “foundour.”—To be buried in the church

<sup>1</sup> Ingatestone.

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<sup>2</sup> Brentwood, co. Essex.

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of S. Laurence in the Old Jewry in the tomb where lie the remains of his wife. Bequests to Sir Robert Lepere, the vicar of the said church; to the Friars Minors and Carmelites; to the inmates of Newegate and Ludgate, the lazars in the hospitals of S. Giles, S. Thomas de Suthwerk, and Kyngeslond, &c. Provision made for a chantry in the said church of S. Laurence for the good of his soul, the souls of Phelippa his wife and others. To William and John his sons he leaves certain tenements in the parish of S. Laurence aforesaid as joint tenants for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 28 September, A.D. 1394. Roll 123 (134).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

Langeford (BEATRIX).—To be buried near her husband in the church of S. Sepulchre. To the vicar of the said church she leaves a silver cup called “bolle”; to Sir John Bonet, chaplain, a pair of vestments to serve at the altar of S. Stephen in the said church. Bequests to the fabric of S. Paul’s Church and to the penitentiary of the same. To Agnes Langeford, Agnes Dyneslay, John Dyneslay, and others, she leaves household goods, comprising basins and ewers, testers, *kercheves*, coverlets, &c. To Elizabeth her daughter a pair of *paternosteres* of *ambre*. Dated London, the Vigil of S. John Baptist [24 June], A.D. 1395.—Also to each clerk of the church of S. Sepulchre aforesaid and to Richard “Pytmaker”<sup>1</sup> respectively sixpence. Roll 124 (8).

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

Irland (THOMAS), skinner.—Testament as to his tenements in London. To Katherine his wife he devises his dwelling-house and shop in the street of Cornhull in the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhull, acquired by him and Matilda his late wife to them and the heirs and assigns of the testator. After the decease of the aforesaid Katherine the same is to remain to the rector and parishioners of S. Michael’s aforesaid for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Robert his father, Isabella his mother, of

<sup>1</sup> Gravedigger or sexton.

the aforesaid Matilda, Katherine and Katherine (*sic*) his wives, of Johanna, the mother of Richard the King, of Edward late Prince of Wales, of Simon Sudbury, late Archbishop of Canterbury, and others. Dated London, 6 May, 18 Richard II. [A.D. 1395].

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop [11 Nov.].*

**Fermere** (ADAM), cutler.—Provision made for two hundred and forty masses to be celebrated by the several orders of the Preaching Friars, Friars Minors, Augustinian and Carmelite Friars, and for forty masses by the Friars of the Holy Cross. To Isabella his daughter, late wife of Gilbert Meldbourne, he leaves all his lands and tenements in the parishes of All Hallows in Bredestrete, S. John, and S. Augustine for life; remainder to Katherine his wife and others in trust for sale to fulfil his will. Certain tenements also in the parish of S. Brigid in Fletestrete are to be sold for like purpose. His wife to have her dower and share of his goods and chattels. To John Smyth, cutler, his kinsman, an annual rent issuing from the above lands and tenements devised to his daughter. Dated 25 August, A.D. 1395. Roll 124 (40).

**Fyndon** (THOMAS), goldsmith.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard near Alice his late wife. Bequests to the ministers of the churches of S. Giles without Crepulgate, S. Vedast in Fasterlane, S. Matthew in Fridaystrete, and S. Peter in Chepe for attending his *Dirige*, &c. To Elizabeth his wife and to Alice, Johanna, and Matilda his daughters he leaves divers sums of money and his household goods, one half of which is to go to his wife and the other half to his children. Among other bequests are the following:—To Alban Stoke, goldsmith, his black gown furred with lambskin and hood; to John Bedeford his best gown furred with *martilet* and hood; to John Mount his green gown parted with blue rayed cloth, and he wills that the fur with which it is lined be sold, and another fur of white lambskin be purchased and placed inside; to his apprentice the weighing implements (? *totum Tole*) of his shop, except two balances which he leaves to his wife. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves his tenements in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate for life;

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remainder to his daughters, and after their death to John Tunbrigg, vicar of the church of S. Giles aforesaid, and the wardens of the Fraternity of S. Giles in aid of the said fraternity for the good of his soul. Dated London, 27 September, A.D. 1395. Roll 124 (41).

**Glemesford** (JULIANA, relict of RICHARD, late felmonger).—To be buried near her late husband in the church of S. Stephen de Colmanstret. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, to the poor of the parish, to divers orders of friars in London, to the inmates of hospitals, &c. A chantry to be maintained in the aforesaid church for the space of four years next after her decease. To Simon Codyngton her son she leaves her best pot and pan, a mazer cup, bed and apparel, &c., and her leasehold and other tenements in the parish of S. Stephen aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of chantries in the churches of S. Stephen aforesaid and All Hallows under London Wall. Dated London, 16 March, A.D. 1394.—Also to John, son of the said Simon Codyngton, twenty shillings. Roll 124 (42).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

**Abbot** (ROGER), draper. — To be buried before the altar of S. Katherine in the church of S. Dunstan de Stebbenhithē near London, where rest the remains of his children. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, and also to the work of the church of S. Swithin. A chantry to be maintained before the altar aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of John his father, Isabella his mother, and others; and a trental of masses to be celebrated by each of the four orders of friars in the City of London, viz., the Preaching Friars, Friars Minors, Augustinian and Carmelite Friars. Bequests to his servants, apprentices, and others. To Emma, Johanna, and Agnes his daughters he leaves sums of money and *chalicecupes*, the same to remain in the custody of Thomas Weyland until they come of age or marry, the said Thomas giving security for the same in the Chamber of the Guildhall, as is the custom for orphans. To Avice and Cecilia his daughters sums of money. Emma his aforesaid daughter to have certain lands and tenements at Petiwailes in the parish of

All Hallows de Berkyng in tail; remainders to Johanna and Agnes his daughters in successive tail; remainder to his right heirs. Agnes his wife to enjoy the rents and profits of the aforesaid property until one of his aforesaid daughters shall marry. Sir Philip, rector of the church of S. Swithin, appointed surveyor of his testament. Dated London, 28 July, A.D. 1395.

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*Monday next before the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

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Uffyngton (HENRY), hurer.—To be buried in the churchyard of All Hallows de Stanyng. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein; also to various orders of friars for saying *Placebo* and *Dirige* in their respective churches, and for a trental of masses in each of their houses; to his servants, apprentices, and others. Certain shops in Martelane in the parish of All Hallows de Stanyngcherche he leaves to Alice his wife for life; remainder to Cecilia and Johanna, daughters of Alexander Wright de Casewyk, for their lives; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds devoted to poor bedridden people unable to help themselves, repair of roads, and release of prisoners. Also to Agnes his wife he leaves the residue of his goods and chattels, after payment of debts, by way of dower. Dated London, 3 August, A.D. 1395.

Roll 124 (84).

Taillour (NICHOLAS), draper.—His testament or last will touching his immovables. To John and Roger his sons he leaves all his lands, tenements, and rents in the cities and suburbs of London and Sarum in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Lucy his late wife, his children, and others. This testament or last will is not in any way to affect his testament or last will made touching his movables. Dated London, 27 August, A.D. 1395.

Roll 124 (89).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

Prynce (GILBERT), painter.—To be buried in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate in the same tomb with Isolda his late wife. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein, the old

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work of S. Paul's, the poor prisoners of Ludgate and Newegate, to each order of mendicant friars in London, the inmates of various hospitals, to every anchorite in London, &c.; also to John Hugyn, "Fynour," Thomas Litlyngton his clerk, Milcencia, daughter of his deceased daughter Isabella, his servants, and others. He leaves his three girdles garnished with silver to his three children. Chantries to be maintained in the church of S. Giles aforesaid, to which he leaves his missal, chalice, and vestments. To Elizabeth his wife one hundred pounds sterling, and all utensils appertaining to his hall, chamber, pantry, butlery, and kitchen, with all jewels of gold, silver, brass, and iron, and a large *dorser* of *Worsted* embroidered called "*le graunt Sale*"; also a part of his dwelling-house and other tenements in the parishes of S. Giles aforesaid and S. Deonisius in Lymstrete for life; remainder to Robert, John, and Johanna his children. If his said children die without any heirs of their bodies, he wills that his dwelling-house remain to the wardens of the Fraternity of S. Giles, and his other tenements to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Of the residue of his goods, after payment of debts, he leaves one half to his wife, one half of the remainder to his children, and the other half of the same to pious uses. Dated in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid, 22 January, A.D. 1395. Roll 124 (100).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

Osekyn (JOHANNA, daughter of ROGER, late pepperer), relict of Walter Etecroue, pepperer.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael in Bassyngeshawe. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein. To Johanna her daughter she leaves all lands and tenements inherited from Roger Osekyn her father in London or elsewhere. Dated London, 1 December, A.D. 1395.

A memorandum is appended of the situation of the tenements mentioned in the above testament of Johanna Osekyn, to the effect that Johanna Edecroue lately had a messuage called "Blakelofte" and other tenements in the parish of S. Benedict Fynk, as well as tenements, shops, &c., in the parish of S. Michael de Bassyngyshaue and in Soperelane in the parish of S. Pancras.

Roll 124 (118).



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**Stamelden (WILLIAM)**, goldsmith.—To be buried in the chancel of S. Dunstan within the church of S. Vedast, under the marble slab where lies Alice his late wife. Bequests to the said church and ministers therein. Desires Sir John Lynton, rector of the said church, and John Broker to convey by deed to certain parties his messuage at Popeler and his other tenements in the parishes of S. Vedast and S. Mary de Colchirch, on condition that the said feoffees provide a chantry priest in the said church of S. Vedast, and pay an annuity of ten marks to Thomasina his wife so long as she shall live; after her decease the aforesaid tenements are to remain to the Wardens of the Goldsmiths' craft, so that they maintain a similar chantry and duly observe his obit as directed. Dated London, 25 June, A.D. 1396. Roll 125 (17).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Hamond (ADAM)**.—To be buried at the entrance to S. Mary's Chapel in the church of S. Andrew upon Cornhull under the same stone where lies Mariona his late wife. Bequests to the said church for books, ornaments, beam light, &c., and to the chaplains and clerks thereof. Katherine his wife to have a life interest in his mansion in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. His wife also to have all ustilments and necessities of the house, after discharge of debts, by way of dower. Dated London, 4 December, A.D. 1394.

Roll 125 (30).

**Barneby (WILLIAM)**, baker.—Bequests to the church of S. Audoen within Neugate, to Sir John the chaplain of the Brewers in the said church, to John the chaplain of the Fraternity of S. Anne [therein], &c.; also to Sir Walter Frost, rector of the aforesaid church, Juliana his mother, his servants, apprentices, and others. To Goulde [Gonlda?] his wife he leaves a certain tenement for life, subject to the conditions under which he and his said wife acquired the same by deed read and enrolled in the Husting of London for Common Pleas held on Monday next before the Purification of B. Mary [2 Feb.], 14 Richard II.

A.D. 1396. [A.D. 1391];<sup>1</sup> remainder in trust for sale for the use of the aforesaid church, repair of roads, &c. The residue of his goods and his estate in his dwelling-house he leaves to his wife by way of dower and of her share. Dated London, 15 December, A.D. 1395. Roll 125 (32).

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**Herbury (HENRY).**—To be buried in the chapel of the Blessed Mary in the Hospital of S. Mary without Bisshopesgate. Bequests to the prior, canons, and sisters of the said hospital, to the poor of the same, and to the Friars Minors of London for their prayers. Thirty trentals of masses to be celebrated immediately after his decease, and a chantry to be maintained in the chapel where he shall lie or elsewhere, for which he leaves one hundred pounds sterling. To the chapel of S. Mary in the church of Herbury<sup>2</sup> he leaves the vestments of his chapel, together with a missal, chalice, and paten, and two towels appertaining thereto. To the Vicar of Herbury forty shillings to be had in mind, with special collects for the space of three years. To Nicholas his son he leaves a book called "Portoos,"<sup>3</sup> and forty marks for putting him to school. To Elizabeth his wife and Thomas Medilton, rector of the church of Hakeney, his executors, he leaves all his lands, tenements, &c., within *le Scaldyng hous*<sup>4</sup> near *le Stokkes*, London, and all his lands, &c., in Southflete, co. Kent, held for him by trustees, for sale, and the proceeds to be given to his said wife. Bequests to Alice his sister, John Ive de Herbury, William Ive, William Tomkyns, and others. Dated within the aforesaid hospital, 6 September, A.D. 1396. Roll 125 (41).

**Noket (THOMAS), draper.**—Bequest in aid of the chantry founded by Alice, wife of Gregory de Norton, called "atte Shire,"

<sup>1</sup> Roll 119 (67). From the deed it appears that the tenement here devised was situate in the parish of S. Margaret Pattens.

<sup>2</sup> Harbury, co. Warwick.

<sup>3</sup> Or Portifory, a breviary for carrying about with one.

<sup>4</sup> West of the church of S. Christopher le Stocks, says Stow ('Survey,'

Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 71), "have ye Scalding alley, of old time called Scalding house or Scalding wike, because that ground for the most part was then employed by poulterers that dwelt in the high street from the Stocks' market to the great conduit. Their poultry, which they sold at their Stalls, were scalded there."

in the church of S. Mary Wolnoth in Lumbardstrete.<sup>1</sup> To William Cachemayde, rector of the said church, he leaves a further sum of money for the maintenance of a perpetual chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Margery his wife and others. To his aforesaid wife all his lands and tenements in the City of London and suburbs for life. To Cecilia, wife of John Sotherye, the reversion of a tenement in the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhull in tail; remainder to John Kyngeston, Prior of the Priory of S. Mary Overey, co. Surrey, for pious uses. To William Weston and Johanna, wife of the same, the reversion of a tenement near "Mullyngesshoppe," in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, in tail, with similar remainder. Also after the decease of his aforesaid wife he leaves his tenements and rents in Shiteburuelane and Abchirchelane in the parish of S. Mary de Abchirche to John Gentyll his servant, Agnes, wife of the same, and to Richard Lye his servant, in tail. To Robert Bryan and Katherine, wife of the same, a like reversion of a tenement in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid. His manor of Rislepe to be sold by his feoffees for pious uses. His lands and tenements in Whatyndon in the parish of Colesdon<sup>2</sup> to be conveyed by his feoffees to William Loveday. Dated London, 18 September, A.D. 1396.

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**Elys (ROGER), "waxchaundeller."**—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Leonard in Fasterlane. His feoffees, by deed enrolled<sup>3</sup> in the Husting for Common Pleas held on Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May], 17 Richard II. [A.D. 1394], of lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Leonard de Fasterlane, S. John Zakarie, S. Alban Wodestrete, S. Botolph without Aldrichesgate, and elsewhere, being feoffees in trust for the testator, although not so expressed in the deed, and having lately reconveyed the aforesaid property to the testator, he now devises the same to be sold immediately after the decease of Johanna his wife for pious and charitable uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his late wife, Sir Martin Elys, and others. Thomas Exton, goldsmith, his brother, appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 13 August, A.D. 1396.

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<sup>1</sup> See her will, Part I, p. 549.

<sup>2</sup> Coulsdon (?), co. Surrey.

<sup>3</sup> Roll 122 (96).

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*Monday next before the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

**Olyver (WILLIAM)**, skinner.—To be buried in the church of S. Stephen in Walbrook. Bequests to the rector and other ministers of the same for their prayers, to the Convent of Preaching Friars at "Trurw"<sup>1</sup> in Cornwall, as well as to the work of the church of S. Clement near the same place; to divers orders of friars in London, to every anchorite within the City, to the prisoners of Newgate and Ludgate, to the sick that are bedridden; and for repair of public roads around London, &c. Two chantries to be maintained in the churches of S. John upon Walbrook and S. Stephen aforesaid. To John his kinsman he leaves the reversion of a tenement in the parish of S. Stephen aforesaid after the decease of Agnes his wife. Also after the decease of his wife all his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Andrew near Cricherche and S. Benedict de Grascherche and elsewhere are to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to chantries, &c. Dated London, 24 July, A.D. 1396.—Further bequests to his Fraternity of Corpus Christi for the purchase of a missal, to the children of his brother Laurence Polwhile, his apprentices, servants, and others.

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*Monday the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

**Walworth (JOHN)**, vintner.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Brigid in Fletestrete near *le Elme* opposite his ancient tavern. Bequests to the chaplains of the church of S. Brigid, and to the lights of S. Mary and S. Brigid therein; also to various orders of friars, to the nuns of Kylbourne, the rectors of the churches of All Hallows the Great, S. Botolph, and S. Sepulchre without Neugate; also to John Croydon, late taverner, John Clyff, John Adyngton, his servants, and others. Chantries to be provided in the churches of S. Brigid and S. Margaret in Suthwerk, the church of Lynfeld, co. Sussex, and the church of Newenton, for the good of his soul, the souls of Agatha his late wife, Geoffrey his father, Matilda his mother, and others. To Cristina his sister a tenement in Brydelane for life; and to Matilda, daughter of Agatha his late wife, a tenement in the parish of S. Brigid, also

<sup>1</sup> Truro.

for life. To Richard Jancok his leasehold tavern in Fletestrete called "Fourdelys,"<sup>1</sup> charged with the maintenance of a conduit which the testator had erected in Fletestrete, and also with the observance of his obit, &c. To the Fraternity of Tailors, London, for their alms, he leaves four marks, and to the Fraternity of Fishmongers a cask of wine, viz., a pipe in Olde-fisshstrete and another in Briggestrete. To Alice his wife he leaves her reasonable part and her dower of his goods and tenements as the law of God and good conscience demand. Dated London, 10 August, A.D. 1396. Roll 125 (55).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

**Chapman** (THOMAS), "curreour."—To be buried in the church of S. Olave in Old Jewry. Margery his wife to have one half of his movables by way of her share, and out of the remainder he makes divers bequests for chantries, and also to the four orders of mendicant friars in London, to various hospitals, including those of S. Giles, *la loke*,<sup>2</sup> and at Hakeneye, prisoners in Neugate and Ludgate, &c. His armour to be sold for pious uses. Further bequests to the old fabric of S. Paul's and for repair of highway between Kilbourn and Eggeswere; also to Thomas Fissh, girdler, William Mullere, "hornere de Fletestrete," and others. To Margery his wife he also leaves certain rents in the parish of S. Stephen in Colmanstrete, a tenement in the parish of S. Margaret de Lothbery, and a tenement in Grubstrete in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate for life; remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Olave aforesaid and other pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 21 January, A.D. 1394.—Also to the fabric of the church of Henele upon Thames forty shillings. Roll 125 (67).

**Organ** (WILLIAM), clerk.—To be buried in the church of S. Olave in Old Jewry. His funeral expenses not to exceed four marks. Twelve hundred masses to be said for his soul by secular priests, and a sum of ten pounds due from William Bonham, rector of the church of Assheton Clynton, co. Bucks, to be expended on trentals for the good of his soul. To Thomas his

<sup>1</sup> For "Flourdelys."

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<sup>2</sup> At Southwark.

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brother he leaves two gardens in the parish of S. Margaret de Lothebury. To Richard his brother a brewery called "le hertes-horne" in the parish of S. Peter upon Cornhull. To Richard Fryssyngfeld and Agnes, wife of the same, the testator's sister, an annual rent in the parish of S. Martin at Ludgate. His portion of his father's goods is to be divided into three parts: one part to go to Alice his sister, a nun of Aumesbury,<sup>1</sup> a second part to be divided equally between Thomas his brother and Agnes his sister, and the third part to be devoted to pious uses. Dated 23 November, A.D. 1394. Roll 125 (70).

Thorp (WILLIAM DE), Knt.—To be buried in the Cathedral Church of Ely near the tomb of S. Etheldreda the Virgin. His best beast he leaves to the parish church of Caster<sup>2</sup> by way of principal.<sup>3</sup> To the aforesaid church of Ely he leaves the advowson of the church of Lolleworth.<sup>4</sup> Bequests to each order of friars in Staunford, and to chantries at Overton,<sup>5</sup> Histon,<sup>6</sup> and Makesey.<sup>7</sup> A chantry to be also maintained in the hermitage of S. Guthlac at Marrham.<sup>8</sup> John Wittelbury his kinsman to have Thorp,<sup>9</sup> Milton,<sup>10</sup> and Marrham to the value of one hundred marks, provided the said John shall bear his arms and maintain two chantry priests, one at Marrham and the other at Thorp and Milton. Bequests also to Master Richard Wittelberie his kinsman, rector of the church of Depyng,<sup>11</sup> Master Stephen Wodell, vicar of the church of Makesey, Sir Philip Tilney, and many others. To Sir John Pechell he leaves twenty marks and a book called 'Pollicronikon.'<sup>12</sup> To Henry Hamond, chaplain, his Bible, the *porteos* which a former Bishop of Ely gave to him, a book composed by Richard the hermit, and Egidius *De Regimine Principum*. His bows and arrows to be given to his servants (*valettos*) and others as Henry his chaplain may think fit. To Margery his sister, a nun of Grenefeld,<sup>13</sup> ten marks and a psalter.

<sup>1</sup> Ambrosebury or Amesbury, co. Wilts. A monastery of the Benedictine Order.

<sup>2</sup> Caistor, co. Lincoln.

<sup>3</sup> Another name for mortuary or corse-present.

<sup>4</sup> Co. Dorset.

<sup>5</sup> Co. Salop (?).

<sup>6</sup> Co. Cambridge.

<sup>7</sup> Maxey, co. Northampton.

<sup>8</sup> Co. Norfolk.

<sup>9</sup> Co. Lincoln.

<sup>10</sup> Co. Dorset.

<sup>11</sup> Deeping, co. Lincoln.

<sup>12</sup> Perhaps a copy of the MS. by Ralph Higden. (See Rolls Series.)

<sup>13</sup> Greenfield, co. Lincoln. A priory for nuns of the Cistercian Order.

To the nuns of Staunford<sup>1</sup> and the convent of Burgh<sup>2</sup> sums of money. Sir Laurence to have his manumission, and John Baker to be free and have also his manumission. To John Tendale one of his best horses and a sword or baselard. Tithe of wood to be paid to the Rector of Marrham if it can be shown to have been paid by his ancestors, otherwise not. Dated at Milton, 9 April, A.D. 1391. —His tenements in Pilketon and Stoke to be sold to John Mulsho before all others, except the advowson of the church of Pilton.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Atte Vyne** (PHILIP), capper.—To be buried near the south porch of the church of S. Botolph without Aldrichesgate near Agnes his late wife. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. To Johanna his wife all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid for life; remainders to Margaret his daughter and his infant *en ventre sa mère* in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale, and a portion of the proceeds to be devoted to the maintenance of the fabric of the aforesaid church, the maintenance of a chaplain for the several fraternities of SS. Fabian and Sebastian and of the H. Trinity in the said church, and other pious and charitable uses. The residue of his goods and chattels, movable and immovable, he leaves to his aforesaid wife by way of dower and of her reasonable part. Dated London, 4 October, A.D. 1396.

Roll 125 (85).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Atte Merssh** (GILBERT), "chaundeller."—To be buried in the church of S. Martin in the Vintry. Bequest of ten marks to the work of the said church, on condition that a vacant space near the belfry be built upon (? *componatur et constructa fuerit*) within a year after his decease. Bequests also to the lepers of S. Giles in Holbourne, at *le loke*, and at Hakeney; to prisoners in Newgate, Ludgate, and Flete, &c.; to Richard Merssh his brother, Thomasina his sister, his apprentices, and others. To Sir Philip Kays, parson of the church of S. Martin aforesaid, and parishioners

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<sup>1</sup> Stanford, co. Lincoln.

<sup>2</sup> Or "Burugh." Probably the Priory

of Bliburgh or Blythburrow, co. Suffolk.

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of the same, he leaves a messuage and houses in the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhull in aid of a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Katherine his late wife, William de Stokesby, late vintner, Juliana, wife of the same, and others. To Richard Hoo his godson the reversion of a tenement in the parish of S. Martin aforesaid after the decease of Margery his wife. Dated London, 28 March, A.D. 1396.

Roll 125 (105).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

Maire (JOHN), smith.—To Alice his wife all his lands and tenements within the liberties of the City of London for life; remainder to his sons and daughters in equal portions. To William Arnald he leaves his best *anfeld* and a best pair of *Belewes*, and to William Mosle similar chattels. Dated London, 25 June, A.D. 1389.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

Shalyngford (JOHN), draper.—To be buried before the high cross in the church of S. Mary de Aldermarichirche near the tomb of Isabella his late wife. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, the church of S. Thomas de Acon, to the various orders of friars in London, the inmates of hospitals, the lepers at *le loke*, Hakeneye, and near the Hospital of S. Giles de Holbourne, the prisoners of Ludgate, Newgate, and the two Marshalseas, &c. Chantries to be maintained at S. Anne's altar in the church of Aldermarichirche for the good of his soul, the souls of Dulcia and Isabella his wives, Sir Nigel Loryng, Knt., and others. To Alice his wife he leaves his tenement in Watlyngstret in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermarichirche, now called "le Stulpes," for life by way of dower. To Henry Julian and Elena, wife of the same, the testator's daughter, his tenement called "le Swan on the hop," situate at the Shambles of S. Nicholas, in tail; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds to be distributed as directed. His leaseholds in Carterelane and Knyghtrederistret in the parish of S. Gregory to be sold to fulfil his testament and for pious uses.



Pecuniary legacies to his wife, John and Cecilia, children of the aforesaid Henry Julian, Alice Shepstere de Shalyngford, and others. Dated London, 1 June, A.D. 1397. Roll 126 (23).

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*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Tykenore (RICHARD)**, draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate. Bequests to the said church, the Fraternity of S. Mary therein, the rector and chaplains; also to the prisoners in Newgate, Ludgate, and Flete, the Marshalsea of the Bench, and the Marshalsea of the King's House; the inmates of various hospitals, &c. Numerous pecuniary legacies to John Weston, "irmongere," of the parish of S. Mary atte Hill, Thomas Blossse, merchant, Thomas Hawker, a man called "Hildebrande Hysplyncrode" of Almaine, and others. To a man called "Chiryngton," living in the Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr in Suthwerk, Richard Websterre, William Wright, master clerk of the parish church of Crokedlane, and others, he leaves divers chattels and articles of apparel, comprising a coat parted with black fur, a coat with black fur together with a hood of the livery of the Drapers of London, a silver-mounted mazer, a coat of russet with fur of *oteres*, a coat of blue furred with *ficheux*,<sup>1</sup> and a red coat lined with *fustiam*.<sup>2</sup> To the church of Banstede<sup>3</sup> he leaves twenty shillings, his psalter and hymnal. Pardons Alice Upholdesterr her debt. Chantryes to be maintained in the church of S. Botolph aforesaid and in the Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr. His tenements and rents in the parishes of S. Michael upon Cornhill and S. Mary de

<sup>1</sup> The fur of the fowl marten, *fitchet*, or polecat. John Chelmyswyk, by will dated 1418, leaves to John Baldok, citizen and wax chandler of London, ten marks and his *furre of Fycheux* ('Earliest English Wills,' ed. by Dr. Furnivall, p. 34).

<sup>2</sup> *Fustian* at the present time takes two forms, that of velveteen and that of corduroy. According to Dr. Rock ('Textile Fabrics,' p. 73), its name is derived from *Fustat* on the Nile, where it was originally woven. Alexander Neckam in his vocabulary of the twelfth century ('De Utensilibus,' Wright's Voc.), identifies "*fustaine*" with cloths *fuscotincti*,

or *fusticotincti*, "dyed tawny" or "brown"; in favour of which may be adduced the following item in the accounts of Roger Radclyff, steward of the household of William Worsey, Dean of S. Paul's, 1480-1481, "in precio j pecii fusti tincti vocati *fustyon* de Osbornes, 13s." (Appendix to Ninth Report Hist. MSS. Com., p. 42 b). On the other hand, there are instances where the material is expressly described as *white* (*supra*, p. 221). Riley suggests as its derivation the name of the village St. Fuscien near Amiens ('Lib. Cust.,' Glossary, s.v. "*Fustayn*").

<sup>3</sup> Co. Surrey.

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Wotton (WILLIAM), merchant.—To be buried in the Collegiate Church of S. Laurence de Pulteneye near Candelwykstret. To Margaret his wife his tenements in Thamysesstret and Wolsyeslane in the parishes of All Hallows the Great and All Hallows upon the Solar (*super Solarium*), in the lane and parish of S. Laurence aforesaid, and elsewhere for life; remainders over to Nicholas his son and to Robert Witherdeley, master of the collegiate church aforesaid, for keeping his obit, &c. Dated London, 24 August, A.D. 1391. Roll 126 (52).

*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

Atte Wode (THOMAS).—Bequests to the minister of the church of S. Peter the Poor (*parvi*), whereof he was a parishioner, and the work of the church of S. Martin within Ludgate; also to William Rose, Simon Laverok, Agnes atte Wode, called “olde annot,” and others. To William Kyngescote he leaves his horse called “Bayard Grenecobbe.”<sup>1</sup> Alice his wife and John his son to have certain meadow lands in Braynford.<sup>2</sup> Also to his said son he leaves the reversion of a hostel called “le George on the hope” in the parish of S. Sepulchre near Holbourne Crosse. The reversion of a certain tenement in the baily in the parish of S. Martin without Ludgate to be sold by his aforesaid wife, and the proceeds devoted to the repair of roads between Kensyngton and Braynford, and between Padyngton and Eggeswere. Also to his wife he leaves a tenement in the parish of S. Margaret de Lothebery. Dated London, 16 August, A.D. 1396. Roll 126 (54).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

Charteseye (JOHN), draper.—To be buried in the monastery of Waltham Holy Cross, co. Essex. To William his son an annual rent issuing from his tenements and wharf called “Asselynswarf,” in the parish of S. Dunstan towards the Tower, together with the reversion of the said property after the decease of Isabella his wife, for

<sup>1</sup> Bayard strictly speaking means a bay horse, but it is also used in a general way for any coloured horse. “Grene-  
cobbe” is more difficult to explain; it can scarcely refer to the animal’s colour.

<sup>2</sup> Brentford.

life; remainder to the Prior of Crycherche for the maintenance of chantries. To Margaret his daughter the reversion of certain tenements at Dowgate for life, charged with the payment of an annuity to Marion his daughter, a Minoress of the Order of S. Clare without Algate; remainders to William and John his sons for their respective lives in succession, with further remainder to the Abbey of the Order of S. Clare for pious uses. Dated London, the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.], A.D. 1396.

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**Shiryngham (WILLIAM)**, mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Mildred in Bredstrete in the same tomb as Matilda his late wife. His tenement in the parish of S. Stephen in Colmanstrete to be sold for pious and charitable uses. William Shiryngham his brother, rector of the parish church of Holtmarket in the diocese of Norwich, appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 24 July, A.D. 1397.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Vanner (HENRY)**.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Martin in the Vintry. Bequests for lengthening the body of the said church and raising the belfry, &c.; also to various orders of friars; the nuns of Clerkenwell, Halywell, and Dorteford, co. Kent; the Nuns Minoresses without Algate; the inmates of several hospitals; the lepers at the Hospital of S. Giles in Holbourne, *le loke*, and Hakeney, &c. Bequests for the maintenance of chantries in the church of S. Martin aforesaid. His feoffees of certain lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Martin in the Vintry and S. James de Garlekhithe are directed to convey to Margery his wife, daughter of John Stodey, an annuity of thirty pounds within three months after his decease, and further to enfeoff Thomas Byrlyngham and John, brother of the said Thomas, of the aforesaid lands and tenements. His feoffees of certain other lands and tenements in the said parish of S. Martin, together with a wharf and the advowson to a chantry in the said parish church, are directed to grant to his aforesaid wife an annuity of fifty pounds, and to convey the property to certain other feoffees, who in their turn shall enfeoff John Cornewaleys his brother thereof in tail, with remainder to William Vanner his

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**Goldryng (JOHN)**, chandler.—To be buried before the high cross in the great churchyard of S. Paul's. Bequests to the churches of S. Margaret Moisy in Fridaystrete and S. Matthew in Fridaystrete; to various orders of friars and to the Charterhouse for prayers and masses; to anchorites in London and the suburbs, &c. His lands and tenements in Distaflane in the parish of S. Margaret aforesaid to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the said parish church for the good of his soul and the soul of Isabella his late wife, and to the relief of prisoners in Neugate and Ludgate. Dated London, 29 December, A.D. 1397. Roll 126 (84).

*Monday next before the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

**Davy (JOHN)** de Holbourne.—To be buried in the church of S. Andrew de Holbourne. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof. To John Russell his servant he leaves a new gown of white russet. To Alice his wife his lands and tenements in Holbourne for life; remainder to John Osebern and Emma, wife of the same, the testator's daughter, in tail; remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of a chantry in S. Mary's Chapel in the church of S. Andrew aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his wife and others. His goods to be divided into three parts: one part to be devoted to works of piety, a second part to go to his wife, and the third to the aforesaid John and Emma. Dated Saturday, 12 January, A.D. 1397.

Roll 126 (94).

**Whelple (WILLIAM)**, cordwainer.—To be buried in the church of S. Alban in Wodstrete near Isabella his late wife. Among other

bequests he leaves eight dozen pairs of best shoes to be given to the poor, if there be that number in his house at the time of his decease; if not, then so many as are in his house at that time are to be so distributed. To the Prior and Convent of Holy Trinity within Algate the reversion of certain tenements in the parish of S. Alban aforesaid after the decease of Elena his wife. Dated London, 20 February, A.D. 1385. Roll 126 (103).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*

**Waltham (RICHARD)**, cutler.—To be buried in the church of S. Martin near Ludgate. Bequest of twenty pounds for the maintenance of a chantry in the said church for three years next after his decease. Pecuniary legacies to Philip, George, and John his sons, and Johanna his daughter. His tenement in the parish of S. Sepulchre in Holbourne to be sold after the decease of Alice his wife, and the proceeds divided between his aforesaid sons. Dated London, 2 November, A.D. 1397. Roll 126 (115).

**Clapshethe (JOHN)**, poulterer. — To be buried in S. Mary's Chapel in the church of S. Andrew upon Cornhill near Johanna his late wife. Bequests to the said church, the church of Uggele and vicar thereof; to the five orders of friars in London; the priory church of Holy Trinity within Algate; also for providing a chaplain to make the circuit or stations of the Roman court, and to celebrate for one whole year at the *Scala Celi*<sup>1</sup> and other holy places, for the good of his soul. To Emma his wife forty pounds sterling, all his store and household goods, and his leasehold shops in the parish of S. Peter upon Cornhill; also a tenement in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Bequests also to the inmates of hospitals and prisons, and to the fabric of the chapel of the Fraternity of S. Giles without Crepulgate and chaplain thereof. Dated London, 18 October, A.D. 1397. Roll 126 (116).

**Norhampton**<sup>2</sup> (JOHN), draper and freeman of the City of

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 234.

<sup>2</sup> Or "Comberton," Sheriff 1377, and Mayor both in 1381 and the following year. In 1377 he was also elected with

three others to represent the citizens in the Parliament held at Gloucester. Was a violent opponent of Sir Nicholas Brembre and Nicholas Exton, who favoured the

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London.—To be buried in the church of the Hospital of S. Mary de Elsyngspitel within Crepelgate.<sup>1</sup> To the said hospital he leaves certain lands and tenements in the parish of All Hallows the Great at the Hay in the Ropery upon certain conditions, one of those conditions being the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of James Andrew and Matilda, wife of the same, Thomas his father and Mariota his mother, Johanna and Petronilla his wives, and others, and the observance of his obit as directed. In default the aforesaid property is to go to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City for the maintenance of chantries in Guildhall Chapel. To the church of Holy Trinity, Chesthunte, co. Herts, and the nuns serving God there, he leaves certain shops in the parish of S. Mary le Bow for pious uses for the good of the souls of the before-mentioned persons, whose names he desires to be entered on their bead-roll (*in martilogio*<sup>2</sup>). To James his son lands and tenements in Pentecostlane in the parish of S. Nicholas Shambles in tail; remainder to the church of the house of the Salutation of the Mother of God of the Carthusian Order near London and convent of the same for pious uses as above set out. On the day of his obit half a mark of silver of the profits of the aforesaid tenements is to be expended on a pittance for the convent, and each monk is to have half a pound of ginger. Also at every Lent each monk is to have a pound of dates, a pound of figs, and a pound of raisins, beyond his usual allowance. In case of default made in carrying out his wishes the aforesaid property is to go to the Mayor and Commonalty as before. Also to James his son tenements called "le hood" in the parish of All Hallows the Great in the Ropery in tail; remainder to William, son of William Comberton his brother, in tail; remainder to Johanna, Petronilla, and Agnes,

monopoly of the Fishmongers. During Brembre's mayoralty, in 1383, he was proscribed, and sent a prisoner first to Corfe Castle, and then to Tintagel Castle in Cornwall. His sentence, however, was afterwards reversed, and he was restored to his former position, whilst his rival eventually met his death at Tyburn (Higden's 'Polychron.' ix. 30, 93).

<sup>1</sup> According to Herbert, he was buried in the church of S. Alphage, Cripple-gate ('Twelve Livery Companies,' i. 435).

<sup>2</sup> The *Martilogium*, or *Martyrologium*, was originally a register of names of saints and martyrs. It at a later period denoted a register, preserved more especially in monastic establishments, of the obits and benefactions of those who had been received into the fraternity of the congregation, and whose names were thus in due course brought to mind. Such register was sometimes called *Necrologium*, and also the *Liber Vitæ*, or Book of Life (see Part I. p. 663, note 2).

sisters of the said William, son of William his brother, in tail; remainder to John Comberton, son of William his brother. Bequests also to Roger Comberton his brother, John Comberton his kinsman, William his brother, Petronilla and Agnes his sisters, and others, and to the Fraternity of Drapers in the church of S. Mary le Bow, the church of Shordich, &c. Dated London, 17 December, A.D. 1397.—Also he wills that James his son have an estate tail, with remainder over, conveyed to him in all his lands and tenements at Hoggeston in the parish of Shordich, by indentures to be enrolled in the King's Chancery; and John Comberton is to have a fee simple estate in his lands and tenements in the parish of Iseldon. Several bequests made by way of codicil. A.D.  
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Roll 126 (118).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].* A.D.  
1398.

Clerk (JOHN), poulterer. — To be buried in the church of S. Andrew upon Cornhull. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, the light of the Holy Cross upon the high beam, &c.; to his fraternity in the chapel of Corpus Christi in the Poultry and chaplain thereof; the old work of S. Paul's; the five orders of friars in London; the inmates of various hospitals; the prisoners of Ludgate, Newgate, Flete, and the two Marshalseas; the lepers at *le loke*, S. Giles's in Holbourne, and Hakeney; poor bedefolk (*pauperibus oratricis*) of Elsyngspittel and at S. Katherine's near the Tower, &c. Provision made for a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of John his father, Alice his mother, and others, and also for sending a pilgrim to Rome on his behalf. Bequests to the nuns of Catesby, co. Northampton, and to the parish church there, and also the nuns of Higham, co. Kent. To Cecilia his sister he leaves an annual rent issuing from his tenement called "le Forge" in Basynglane, parish of S. Mildred de Bredstrete, for life, which tenement he leaves to Agnes his daughter, wife of Robert de Beteyne, goldsmith, in tail; remainder to Richard Clerk, grocer (*grossar*), his son. His feoffees of rents in the parishes of S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate and All Hallows de Stanynghchirohe, of meadow land in the parish of Westhamme, co. Essex, and of tenements in the parish of S. Olave de Suthwerk, are directed to sell the same to fulfil his

**A.D.** testament. Bequests for the repair of roads near London. Dated  
**1398.** London, 3 August, A.D. 1397. Roll 126 (137).

# ANNO 22 RICHARD II.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Thame** (WILLIAM), fishmonger.—To be buried in the Hospital of S. Thomas de Suthwerk. Bequests to the said hospital, to various orders of friars, to the hospitals of S. Thomas, S. Bartholomew near Smythefeld, S. Mary without Bysshopesgate, and of Elsyngspytell, the churches of S. Mary Overy and S. Mary Magdalen in Suthwerk, the altar of S. Thomas de Acon, &c. To Thomas his son forty shillings. To Juliana his wife all his rents and tenements in the City of London, after discharge of legacies, for life; remainder to his aforesaid son in tail; remainder to Robert Louthe, junior, his kinsman. Dated at the Hospital of S. Thomas in Suthwerk, Friday next before the Feast of Nativity of our Lord [25 Dec.], A.D. 1396. Roll 127 (1).

**Newport** (WILLIAM).—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Michael upon Cornhull. His tenement in the parish of S. Michael, Queenhithe, to be sold to pay his debts, and the residue to be devoted to the good of his soul, the souls of James his father, Isabella his mother, and others. Dated London, 24 May, A.D. 1398. Roll 127 (5).

**A.D.** *Monday next after the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*  
**1398-9.**

**Burwell** (AMYCIA, wife of JOHN), late wife of John Waldegrave.—To be buried in the cloister of the College of S. Laurence de Pulteneye near Candelwykstrete, near the body of John Waldegrave her former husband. Bequests to the master and chaplains of the said college, to the fabric of the church of Clothale,<sup>1</sup> the lepers *atte loke* near Suthwerk and at Hakeney. To Nicholas her son twenty shillings. A place called "Scottisplace" in the vill of Clothale to be sold for pious uses. A tenement in the parish of S. Michael in Crokedlane to be also sold in accordance with the will of her first husband,<sup>2</sup> and sixty pounds sterling out of the

<sup>1</sup> Clothall, co. Herts.

<sup>2</sup> Enrolled *supra*, p. 295.



proceeds to go to John Burwell her present husband, to be disposed of by him for the good of her soul. Dated London, 14 September, A.D. 1395. Roll 127 (35).

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1398-9.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*

Willesdon (RICHARD).—To be buried in H. Trinity Chapel in the church of S. Dunstan near the Tower. His feoffees of tenements at *lestokkes* in the parish of S. Christopher de Bradstrete are directed to maintain a chantry in the said parish church for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes and Margaret his wives, and others, observe his obit, and distribute the residue of the profits of the same among the poor until Richard his son shall come of age. To Anne his wife he leaves lands and tenements at Lothebury in the parishes of S. Margaret de Lothebury and S. Bartholomew the Less, to hold during the minority of his aforesaid son, who when he comes of age is to enjoy the whole of the property above devised in tail; remainder to the infant with which Anne his wife is *enceinte*; remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of chantries in the churches of S. Dunstan and S. Christopher aforesaid and the parish church of Willesdon, for assisting girls to marry, &c. Also to Anne his wife lands and tenements in Mynchenlane and in Tourstrete for life; remainder to the infant *en ventre sa mère*. Bequests to the Fraternity of S. Mary in the church of S. Dunstan aforesaid, to the prisoners of Ludgate and Newgate, to the fabric of the church of Steplebumpstede,<sup>1</sup> and various individuals. Also to Anne his wife his jewels and necessities appertaining to his *housold*, except a cup of silver bearing his mark (*meum signum sive markum*) and a mazer cup called “le Fotidcupp,” which he leaves to Richard his son. Dated London, 12 September, A.D. 1398. Roll 127 (46).

Baddeby (WILLIAM), grocer.—To be buried in the church of All Hallows de Stanyngchirche within Algate in the grave (*in puteo*) where Johanna his late wife lies buried. Bequests to the said church, to Matilda Leuesham his kinswoman, his servants, and others. To Katherine his wife tenements in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious

<sup>1</sup> Co. Essex.

**A.D.** and charitable uses. A certain rent due to him to be devoted to  
**1398-9.** the maintenance of a chantry in the church of All Hallows aforesaid. Dated London, 27 February, A.D. 1397.

Roll 127 (47).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Fressh (JOHN)**, mercer.—To be buried in S. Sithe's Chapel in the church of S. Benedict Shorhogg.<sup>1</sup> Bequests to the said church. To Sir John Neuton, parson, and the churchwardens of the same, he leaves a certain quitrent issuing from a tenement in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen, Oldefisshestrete, at the corner of Dolitellane, in aid of a chantry in the aforesaid chapel. To Juliana his wife, by way of dower and her share of his goods, he leaves fifty pounds and a moiety of all utensils and ustilments of his house, except his vessels of silver, mazer cups, *bykers*, body-linen, armour, &c., whereof he leaves her certain specific chattels; also lands and tenements in the parish of S. Antonin for life, remainders to Katherine, Margery, and Cristina his daughters in successive tail. Also to his said wife his cattle, crops, and household utensils upon his manor of Northwokynghdon. Bequests for the relief of debtors imprisoned for debts of five marks or less, for bestowing marriage portions, &c. To Walter Newnton and Katherine, wife of the same, the testator's daughter, rents in the parishes of S. Ethelburga within Bisshopesgate, S. Leonard in Estchepe, and S. George. To Walter Cotton and Margery, wife of the same, another of the testator's daughters, rents in the parishes of H. Trinity the Less, S. Stephen in Walbrook, S. Margaret Patyns and elsewhere. Mention made of "le Unicorn" in Cheap. His feoffees of the manor of Doures and a tenement in the parish of S. Benedict aforesaid to dispose of them in the manner he has instructed them by word of mouth. Dated London, 1 September, A.D. 1397.—Various pecuniary bequests to his servants and others.

Roll 127 (64).

**A.D.** *Monday next before the Feast of S. George, Martyr [23 April].*  
**1399.**

**Pountfreyt (JOHN)**, saddler.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Benedict de Graschirche, where his wife lies

<sup>1</sup> Originally dedicated to S. Osithe (Newcourt).

buried. To Agnes, wife of John Essex, saddler, he leaves certain chambers and a chapel in the parish of S. Benedict aforesaid attached to his dwelling-house, which latter he leaves to Richard Pountfreyt, Esq., his kinsman. To Sir Thomas Clerk, rector of the aforesaid church of S. Benedict, and to Sir John White, chaplain, a quitrent of certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Mary de Fanchirche, which they are to hold at the disposal of William Barwe. Also to the aforesaid Richard Pountfreyt his leasehold interest in "le horsse on the hoop" in Graschirchestrete. To the rector and churchwardens of S. Benedict's aforesaid and their successors he leaves his estate in a tavern adjoining the church and rectory, for repair of ornaments of the church, maintenance of *Salve Regina*, and of the light of the Blessed Virgin therein. Dated London, 19 October, A.D. 1398.

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Roll 127 (65).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Parker (JOHN).**—To be buried in the church of S. Clement, Candelwikstrete. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, to divers orders of friars in London for *Placebo* and *Dirige* with mass of *Requiem* by note; to his servants and others. To a certain Henry Taillour, who keeps the birds (*custodienti volucres*) in Colmanstrete near Bassyngeshaw, he leaves six shillings and eightpence. His lands, tenements, and rents in the City of London to be sold by his executors to fulfil his testament, and for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Cristina, Johanna, and Alice his late wives, and others. Dated London, 17 February, A.D. 1398.

Roll 127 (83).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Botolph, Abbot [17 June].*

**Godard (JOHN), goldsmith.**—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas Acon. To Cecilia his wife, John his son, Katherine and Anne his daughters, he leaves all his ustilments and household utensils and divers sums of money. To John his son he leaves all his armour. To Janicus Dartays his coat of mail (*loricam*) of *Steele* and a silver cup and coverle; and to Danbry and Hankin, pages of the said Janicus, six shillings and eightpence respectively. To Edmund Nethersole two best *anfeltes*, two *hamers*, two best

A.D. 1399. *prentes*,<sup>1</sup> one *Wyrchynghord*, two best *belyes*,<sup>2</sup> and two *anfelstokkes*. To the high altar of the church of S. Martin at Herne, co. Kent, he leaves six shillings and eightpence, and desires his executors to pave the chancel with tiles. Cecilia his wife to have sixteen marks sterling by way of dower, charged on his lands and tenements in the parishes of Herne, Whytstaple, and Recolvere in co. Kent, which he leaves to John his son when his said son shall have come of age. Martin Godard his brother appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 20 February, A.D. 1398.

Roll 127 (85).

#### ANNO 1 HENRY IV.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Smyth** (RICHARD) de Walden.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Christopher, London, where his children lie buried. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, and the fabric of the church of Bumsted Helyon,<sup>3</sup> co. Essex. The reversion of certain tenements in the parish of S. Andrew upon Cornhill to be sold, and one moiety of the proceeds to go to Margery his wife and the other to pay his debts. Dated London, Thursday the Feast of SS. Philip and James [1 May], A.D. 1399.

Roll 128 (2).

**Wynchecombe** (SIMON DE), armourer. — Testament touching lands and tenements. To the chaplains of a perpetual chantry, founded by him in the church of S. Mary de Abbechirche with the King's licence, he leaves a certain annual rent issuing from a brewery called "le Welhous," a tenement called "le Caponhors," and other tenements in Candelwykstret and elsewhere in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid, together with the reversion of the said tenements. Dated London, 6 March, 19 Richard II. [A.D. 1395-6].

Roll 128 (14).

**Wynchecombe** (SIMON), armourer. — Testament or last will touching his movable goods and chattels. To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Aldermanbury before the altar of S. Anne,

<sup>1</sup> Probably stamps for marking his goods.

<sup>2</sup> Bellows.

<sup>3</sup> Or Helion-Bumpstead.

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which he purposes, God willing, to rebuild, and where the body of Johanna his last wife (*ultime uxoris*) lies buried. Bequests to the said church, the fabric of the old work of S. Paul's, the Master and Brethren of the house of S. Thomas de Acon, the ministers of the church of S. Mary de Colchirche, the hospitals of Elsyngesspetull, S. Bartholomew in Smethefeld, and S. Mary without Bisshopusgate, the priors and convents of Smethefeld and Charturhous, the convents of Clerconwell, Haliwell, Stratforde atte Bowe, Rounney,<sup>1</sup> and Chesthunte; the inmates of hospitals and prisons, the lepers at *le loke* near *Seynt Georges barre*, of S. Giles without *Holburnebarre*, and *le Meselcotes<sup>2</sup> de Haconey*, &c. To the alms of the Fraternity of S. John the Baptist of the Tailors of London forty shillings. Bequests to the abbey, parish church of S. Peter, and poor of Wynchecombe,<sup>3</sup> and also to the church of Stanwey,<sup>4</sup> wherein he was baptized, and to the poor of the parish. Bequests of various chattels, comprising table-knives in sheaths, gowns (*epitogia*) of coloured cloth furred with *calabre<sup>5</sup>* and *Bever*, *costeres*, *bankeres*, *quissiens* of Arras work, &c., which he leaves to John his son, a chaplain. To Amisia his sister forty shillings and a piece of silver worth twenty-six shillings and eightpence. Provision made for chantries in the churches of S. Thomas de Acon and S. Mary de Aldermanbury. To Richard Person his servant he leaves a gown of blue *motlee* furred with *calabre*, and another parted with *murre*, a *flat* piece of silver or two marks, according as his executors may elect, and six complete suits of harness of his armour, viz., six pairs of *jambes*, six *habergeons* of iron, six *bacenettes* of London make, with six *aventailles*, six pairs of *vambras*, six pairs of *rerebras*, six *brestplates*, and six pairs of gloves of *plate*; also his leasehold messuage in the parish of S. Margaret de Lothebury, and his implements of his craft as armourer, viz., a *barell*, *anfeltz*,

<sup>1</sup> Rownay in the parish of Great Mundene, co. Herts, a nunnery of the Benedictine Order.

<sup>2</sup> Measles (Dutch *maesser*, birdseye maple), formerly looked upon as leprosy. Fr. *mesau*, a leper (Cotgrave).

<sup>3</sup> Co. Gloucester. The abbey was of the Benedictine Order, and dedicated to S. Kenelm.

<sup>4</sup> Co. Gloucester.

<sup>5</sup> Fur of an inferior kind. Cf.:—"The Lord Maior and those Knights that have borne the office of Maioralty, ought to have their Cloakes furred with Gray Amis. And those Aldermen that have not bene Maiors, are to have their Cloakes furred with Calabre" (Stow's 'Survey,' ed. 1633, p. 659).

**A.D. 1399.** *Bicornes*,<sup>1</sup> *strakes*,<sup>2</sup> *hamours*, *tonges*, *sheres*, &c. Alice his wife to have, by way of dower, such share of his goods as of right and by the custom of the City of London she ought to have, and no more. Dated London, 7 April, A.D. 1396. Roll 128 (17).

**A.D. 1399-1400.** *Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

**Starlyng (JOHN).**—To be buried in the midst of the chancel of the church of All Hallows at the Hay. Bequests to Sir William Batisford, the rector, and chaplains of the said church. To John his brother he leaves all his armour, with the exception of his *Jacke*.<sup>3</sup> His tenement called “le Sterre on the hope,” together with his own mansion in Thamisestrete in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, to be sold, and one moiety of the proceeds to go to the work of the said church, and the other to be devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, Saturday, 12 April, A.D. 1399. Roll 128 (31).

**Ensyng (BARTHOLOMEW), dyer.**—To be buried in the church of All Hallows at the Hay by the side of Lucebetta<sup>4</sup> his late wife. To John his brother he leaves his entire tenement in Heywharflane in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, except a certain chamber which Alice his sister is to have for life. Dated London, Saturday the last day of May, A.D. 1399. Roll 128 (36).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*

**Giffard (RICHARD), fishmonger.**—To Agnes his wife a life interest in three tenements in Distafflane and Oldefisshestrete; remainders to Thomas and John his sons, and Johanna his daughter, respectively, in several tail, with cross remainders; ultimate remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 10 March, A.D. 1397. Roll 128 (41).

**A.D. 1400.** *Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

**Maykyn (JOHANNA, relict of JOHN, late vintner).**—To be buried

<sup>1</sup> The pointed ends of anvils.

<sup>2</sup> Perhaps cart-strakes, the iron tires of wheels; or *strikes*, bushel measures.

<sup>3</sup> A defensive habiliment, generally stuffed with cotton, but occasionally

formed of mail. A full account of it is given by Sir S. Meyrick in his observations on ancient military garments worn in England (*Archæol.*, xix. 224).

<sup>4</sup> Elizabeth.

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before the little cross in the church of S. Dunstan near the Tower, in the same tomb with her late husband. Directions as to wax tapers, distribution of cloth to the poor, and other particulars of her funeral. Bequests to the aforesaid church and ministers thereof, as well as for maintenance of chantries and observance of obit therein; also for the maintenance of the light of the fraternity in the church of S. Katherine near the Tower, the repair of the highways between London and Braynford, and London and Acton, &c. To Agnes, wife of William Scantilon, her sister, Hugh Sprot, and others, she leaves divers sums of money and household goods. Bequeaths a vestment and chalice to the use of the church of S. Dunstan aforesaid. To Richard her son, among other chattels, a best chest and two tables of Prussian work (*de opere Prucie*), two *forcers*<sup>1</sup> bound with iron, a *ferpanne*,<sup>2</sup> an iron plate for fire, all her andirons, and the armour belonging to her late husband; a boat called "lighter," with all its apparel, and her estate in a tenement and wharf in Thames Street. Her executors to cause a S. Gregory's trental to be said for her soul, and to provide some one to make a pilgrimage on her behalf to S. James in Galicia, as well as a chaplain to celebrate for the space of one year in the church of S. John Lateran in the city of Rome, during which time the said chaplain is to make the circuit of the said city once every week for the good of her soul and the soul of her aforesaid husband. Also to her aforesaid son she leaves all her lands and tenements in the parishes of All Hallows de Berkyngcherche, S. Olave, and S. Mary atte Hull, for life; remainder to the rector and parishioners of the church of S. Dunstan aforesaid, on condition that they maintain a chantry as directed, otherwise the said property is to go to the Wardens of London Bridge, subject to the maintenance of a similar chantry, the residue of the profits being devoted to the use of the bridge. Dated London, 26 August, A.D. 1386. Roll 128 (74).

*Monday the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

Blounville (RICHARD), "stokfisshmongere."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Michael de Crokedlane. To Emma his wife a tenement with two shops in the lane and parish of S. Michael de

<sup>1</sup> Strong boxes.

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<sup>2</sup> Fire-pan.

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Crokedlane, and a tenement in the lane and parish of S. Martin Orgar near Candelwykestrete, for life, so long as she remain unmarried; remainder to John his son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for charitable uses. His tenements in the parishes of S. Michael upon Cornhull, S. Katherine Colman, and S. Katherine in the churchyard of Crichurche, together with rents in Minchonlane and Sevedenlane in the parish of All Hallows de Berkyngechurche, are also to be sold for like purposes. His feoffees of a tenement in the parish of S. George de Suthwerk are directed to make a good estate of the same to John his son in tail. Dated London, 5 March, A.D. 1398. Roll 128 (76).

**Burton (WILLIAM)**, Esquire.—Bequests to the church of S. John upon Walbrook and ministers therein, including his *legende* and *antiphoner*. To his servants he leaves sums of money and his wearing apparel. Releases Richard Strykyll, John Topelyf de Kent, and others, their respective debts. To Thomas his son all his lands and tenements in the City of London, and his leaseholds in the parish of S. John upon Walbrook. The residue of his movable goods to be divided into three parts, two parts whereof he leaves to Johanna his wife, and the remaining third to his aforesaid son, who is to have all his armour and *array* appertaining to his body. Dated London, 20 May, A.D. 1400.

Roll 128 (78).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Bromholme (MATILDA)**.—To be buried in the church of S. Dionisius de Bakechirch. Bequests to the said church, the church of S. Mary de Fanchirch, and the chapel of S. Mary called “Berkyngechapell,” for lights, &c. To the Prior and Convent of the Church of S. Mary de Overey in Suthwerk, the Monastery of Werdon,<sup>1</sup> and the nuns of Kylbourne she leaves divers chattels, comprising a *note* with covercle, a plain silver cup called “Byker” with covercle and a pommel at the top, a mazer cup on the bottom of which are figures of SS. John and James, and another *coupe* with covercle, on the bottom of which is a figure of S. John, &c. To Sir William Calsely, rector, and the churchwardens of

<sup>1</sup> Wardon, co. Beds.



the church of S. Dionisius aforesaid, a tenement and shops in the parish of S. Botolph without Busshopesgate, on condition that they maintain a chantry for the good of her soul, the souls of John Bromholme her late husband and others; and observe her obit and the obits of Henry and Juliana her parents. Dated London, 5 December, A.D. 1398.

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Roll 128 (86).

**Hedyngham (JOHN)**, "hatter."—To be buried in the church of S. Martin within Ludgate in the place where Thomas his brother lies buried. Bequests to the said church, its chaplains, clerks, &c.; also to Roger his son and John his younger son. To Robert Bernewell and Philip Edmyngton his executors he leaves all his lands and tenements in the City of London and suburbs and the custody of his children. Dated London, 9 April, A.D. 1400.

Roll 128 (87).

#### ANNO 2 HENRY IV.

*Monday the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Horscroft (WILLIAM)**.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Andrew de Holbourne. Bequests to the said church and to divers orders of friars for trentals of masses. Also to Hugh Sprot, rector, and the churchwardens of the aforesaid church, he leaves an annual rent, issuing from his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Andrew, for pious and charitable uses, a life interest in the said lands and tenements being left to Matilda his wife, with remainder to Johanna his daughter, wife of Alan Symond, in special tail. To Richard his brother a sum of money and his best cloak and hood. Dated London, 1 April, A.D. 1399.

Roll 129 (1).

**Smyth (ANDREW)**, "pyebaker."—To be buried in the church of S. Michael upon Cornhull. Bequests to the said church and the Fraternity of S. Anne therein; also to the rector and parishioners of the said church and their successors he leaves tenements in the parish of S. Clement near Estchep, on condition that they maintain a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Hugh Smyth and Felicia, wife of the same, the testator's parents, Johanna his late wife and Robert and Johanna her parents, Johanna his

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present wife, and others. Also to Johanna his wife a life interest in his tenements in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, and in his tenement called "le Flynthalle" in the parish of S. Olave in Sylverstret; remainder to Margaret his daughter in tail. To Isabella his daughter, wife of William Blount, a sum of money. Dated London, the last day of May, A.D. 1399.—By way of codicil he appoints James Remyngton chaplain to the above chantry, the control of which is to be in the hands of his executors.

Roll 129 (5).

Whaplode (JOHN).—To be buried before "le Poolpet" in the church of S. Margaret de Briggestrete. Bequests to the said church and the church of S. Mary Magdalen de Suthwerk, their chaplains, &c. His executors to sell the reversion of certain tenements in the parish of S. Nicholas Coldabbey, and devote the proceeds to pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Margery, Margery, and Johanna his wives, Richard Yonge, and others. His said executors are also to sell the reversion, and rent of a garland of red roses, of a shop in the parish of S. Leonard de Estchepe for like purposes. To John his younger brother in co. Lincoln twenty shillings. Dated London, 9 August, A.D. 1400.—His executors also to sell his lands and tenements in the vill of Stratford Langthorn in the parish of Westhamme,<sup>1</sup> and his feoffees to make a good estate of the same to the purchaser. Bequests out of the proceeds for rebuilding the belfry of the church of S. Margaret aforesaid, and also to Robert and Hugh his brothers.

Roll 129 (6).

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

Yeuele or Yevele (HENRY), "masoun," citizen and freeman of the City of London, and parishioner of the church of S. Magnus at London Bridge.—To be buried in the said church in S. Mary's Chapel, where his tomb is already prepared. Katherine his wife to enjoy a life interest in certain tenements, rents, &c., comprising *le Fisshwharf* at *le Hole* in the parish of S. Magnus aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of two chantries in the said parish church for the good of his soul, the souls of Margaret his late wife, Roger his father, Marion his mother, and others; remainder

<sup>1</sup> Co. Essex.

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to the rector and churchwardens of the said church for the time being, for similar pious uses as directed. Under certain circumstances the aforesaid property is to remain to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City of London to the use of London Bridge for the maintenance of two chantry priests in the chapel upon the same. Also to his aforesaid wife a brewery called "le Glene" in the parish of S. Magnus, tenements in Basynglane and Cordwanerstrete in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermarichirche, and tenements in the parish of S. Martin Otyswich for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses; also his lands and tenements at Wenynghton and Alvythele<sup>1</sup> or elsewhere in co. Essex for life; remainder in trust for sale, a part of the proceeds being especially devoted to assist the rebuilding of the ancient *Isle* within the church of the Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr of Suthwerk, where the poor inmates lie. Dated London, 25 May, A.D. 1400. Roll 129 (7).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop [11 Nov.].*

Salesbury (PAUL), Esquire.—To be buried in the church of S. Katherine near the Tower. Bequests to the said church, to the professed friars and poor bedefolk (*cuilibet pauperi oratrici*) there, and for the maintenance of a chantry therein for one year. To Elizabeth his daughter a tenement in Candelwykstrete in the parish of S. Mary de Bothawe, and rents in Sopereslane in the parish of S. Antonin; also divers chattels, comprising half a dozen *peawtervessell*, a red embroidered bed, *materas*, *blankettes*, &c. Dated London, 25 July, A.D. 1398.—Also his will is that his feoffees of the manor of Higham in the parish of Walcumstowe<sup>2</sup> give an estate tail therein to his aforesaid daughter.

Roll 129 (21).

Bradford (MARGARET, relict of JOHN, Knt.), formerly wife of Adam de Wymundham, mercer, and daughter of Richard Staundon, late "cofrer."—To be buried near Adam her former husband in the parish church of S. Michael de Basyngesawe. Bequests to the said church, to four orders of mendicant friars in London, and the Friars of H. Cross near the Tower, the Hospital

<sup>1</sup> Aveley, near Wennington, both places |  
a little to the north of Purfleet.

<sup>2</sup> Walthamstow, co. Essex.

A.D. 1400. of S. Mary without Bisshopsgate, the church of S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate, &c. Among other bequests she leaves to Margaret her servant her entire bed, viz., three curtains with *selur*<sup>1</sup> of blue *card*,<sup>2</sup> a coverlet with *testur* of green, a pair of sheets, two blankets, and a *quylt*. To Richard Brompton, mercer, a shop in the parish of S. Margaret de Lothebury. To William Bradford her son all her lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Margaret de Lothebury and S. Stephen in Colmanstrete in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Her tenements in the parishes of S. Dionisius de Bakchirche and S. Michael de Bassyngeshawe to be sold for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Michael de Basyngeshawe and other pious and charitable uses. Thomas Wilford, Alderman, appointed surveyor of her testament. Dated London, 25 Octoher, A.D. 1400.

Roll 129 (28).

**Bussh** (JOHN), chandler. — To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas at the Shambles, wherein a chantry is to be maintained for the good of his soul, the souls of William and Johanna his father and mother, and others. Bequests to the old work of S. Paul's, the five orders of mendicant friars in London, the inmates of hospitals and prisons, the poor and bedridden in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid and elsewhere, the fabric of the church of Southflete, co. Kent, and his poor kinsmen in the said parish, &c.; also to Alice his sister, his apprentices, and others. To John Simond, chandler, he leaves a cask or two pipes of best oil, provided the said John will undertake the duties of his executor. To Emma his wife a tenement in S. Michael's Lane in the parish of S. Michael de Crokedlane for life; remainder to Johanna his kinswoman, wife of Richard Stratton, in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 4 December, A.D. 1398.—Bequests also to the Fraternity of S. John of the Tailors of London and the Fraternity of SS. Fabian and Sebastian without Aldrichesgate.

Roll 129 (29).

A.D. 1400-1. *Monday next before the Feast of Purification of V. Mary* [2 Feb.].  
**Patenev** (JOHN), Rector of the parish church of Tange-

<sup>1</sup> A canopy.

<sup>2</sup> See note *supra*, p. 37.

mer<sup>1</sup> within the jurisdiction of Canterbury.—To be buried in the minster of S. Mary de Boxgrave<sup>2</sup> in the diocese of Chichester. Bequests for funeral and observance of his month's mind and obit. Also to the aforesaid church of Tangemere and fraternity thereof, the convent of Boxgrave, and to Richard Mallyng, John atte Nasche, and others, he leaves sums of money or divers measures of corn and barley. His executors instructed to sell his tenement in Oldechaunge, his tavern near S. Nicholas Fleschamelus, and his tenement in Adlyngstrete, and devote the proceeds to the good of his soul. To Juliana Sall a tenement in Bredstrete for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated the morrow of All Saints [1 Nov.], A.D. 1400.

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Roll 129 (36).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

Somerset (ROBERT), draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Margaret de Lothebury. Bequests to the said church for chantries, &c., to the fabric of the church of S. Thomas de Acon, the five orders of friars in London, the inmates of various hospitals, the three houses of lepers near London, viz., of S. Thomas de Watring,<sup>3</sup> Hakeney, and S. Giles de Holebourne; to every anchorite in London, the nuns of Stratford, Haliwell, and Clerkenwell, to the alms of the Fraternity of S. John the Baptist of the Tailors of London and their beadle, the prisoners in Neugate and the Marshalsea in Suthwerk, the Abbey of Graces upon Tourhill, the Fraternity of the Drapers in the church of S. Mary atte Bowe and their beadle, &c. To Agnes his wife his lands and tenement in the parish of S. Margaret aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale (Henry Julyan, "iremongere," to have the right of pre-emption), and the proceeds to be devoted to masses, maintenance of highways, &c. His wife also to have a moiety of all his goods and chattels by way of dower and her reasonable part. To

<sup>1</sup> Tangmere, co. Sussex.

<sup>2</sup> Boxgrove, co. Sussex.

<sup>3</sup> S. Thomas of Watring or Waterings, a spot near the Old Kent Road, in Southwark, where *le loke* was situate; at one time was the boundary of the City's liberties, and is said to have derived its name from a brook or spring

dedicated to S. Thomas Becket. Chaucer mentions it in his 'Canterbury Tales' (*supra*, p. 218 n.), and the name frequently occurs in Machyn's 'Diary' as the scene of executions. The memory of the place is still kept alive by S. Thomas's Road close by, and by the tavern signs in the neighbourhood.

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Thomas Freshford his brother he leaves his second-best tunic (*armulausam*<sup>1</sup>) and a cloak. Dated London, 18 July, A.D. 1400.

Roll 129 (54).

*Monday the Feast of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

Senesterre (JOHN), brewer.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Wulchirchewawe. Bequests to the said church, its ministers, lights, and Fraternity of the Blessed Mary therein; also to divers orders of mendicant friars in London, the inmates of certain hospitals, &c. To William and Nicholas his sons and Agnes his daughter he leaves sums of money and household goods, which are to be kept in safe custody until they come of age. Certain tenements in Old Jewry and West Smythefeld to be sold, and out of the proceeds a chantry priest to be maintained in the church of Wulchirchewawe aforesaid and one in the church of Asshewell<sup>2</sup> for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice and Alice his wives, Alan his father, Alice his mother, and others. Dated London, 11 November, A.D. 1400.—Also his will is that his feoffees of lands and tenements at Ashwell, Henxteworth,<sup>3</sup> and Gildenmordon<sup>4</sup> convey to John his son the lands and tenements called “Senesterresplace,” and to Nicholas his son his interest in lands and tenements called “Ote wys” in Asshewell and in Henxteworth aforesaid. To the Fraternity of Corpus Christi at Asshewell forty shillings.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

Bussh (JOHN), “curreour.”—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Giles without Crepulgate. Bequests to the church of S. Giles aforesaid, its clerks, the new work of the belfry, and the alms of the Fraternity of S. Giles founded by the lord the King therein; also to the five orders of mendicant friars in London, the fabric of the parish church of Totenham, and for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Giles aforesaid. To John his son, Elizabeth his daughter, Alice his sister, and others, he leaves

<sup>1</sup> Said to have been the prototype of the surcoat. A full description of it is given by Sir S. Meyrick in his observations on ancient military garments formerly worn in England, to which re-

ference has already been made. See also note *supra*, p. 177.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Herts.

<sup>3</sup> Hinxworth, co. Herts.

<sup>4</sup> Gilmorton (?), co. Leicester.

sums of money and household chattels, and to Emma his wife the residue of his goods and chattels. His debtors who are unable to pay their debts to him are to be forgiven. Also to Emma his wife he leaves his tenement in Grubbestrete in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate for life; remainder to his aforesaid son and daughter and the heirs of their several bodies. Dated London, 18 September, A.D. 1396. Roll 129 (113).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop [11 Nov.].*

**Louthe** (ROBERT), "joynour."—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Aldermarichirche. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof; to each order of friars in London; the houses of lepers, viz., of Loke, Hakeney, and S. Giles without Holbourne, &c. To Robert his son he leaves his coat of mail, and basinet with *aventaille*. To Johanna his wife a tenement in the lane called "Seint Sytheslane" in the parish of S. Antonin for life, provided she forego her claim to dower of his lands and tenements in the parish of S. James de Garlekhithe and of his rents in the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhull; remainder to his aforesaid son, to whom he also leaves property in Byrcherslane and elsewhere. To Margaret his daughter the reversion of a certain shop. Also to his aforesaid wife his leaseholds in the parish of S. Michael, Queenhithe. Dated London, 3 March, A.D. 1400. Roll 130 (3).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Sumpter** (John), cordwainer.—To be buied in the churchyard of S. Dionis Bakchirche near Matilda his late wife. To Peter Geveyn, rector of the church aforesaid, and parishioners of the same he leaves the tenement wherein he dwelt in Lymstret in the parish of S. Dionis, and desires that they observe his obit, &c. Dated London, 8 September, A.D. 1401. Roll 130 (32).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

**Fermer** (LAMBERT), Esquire.—To be buried in the church of S. Olave near the Tower. Among other bequests to the said

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church he leaves a vestment of black *satein* with apparel to serve at the altar of S. Mary therein. To the wardens of the church of S. James at Betermere,<sup>1</sup> co. Wilts, he also leaves a vestment. To the fabric of the Cathedral Church of Sarum six shillings and eightpence. To John Robyn two gowns, two *doublettes* and hoods. His feoffees of a tenement in the parish of S. Olave aforesaid to convey a fee simple of the same to Agnes his wife. Bequests to little Agnes living with him, his servants, and others. Dated London, 20 May, A.D. 1401. Roll 130 (34).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

**Stebenhithe** (RICHARD), "ismonger."—To Isabella his wife a tenement in Catestrete in the parish of S. Laurence Jewry for life; remainder in trust for sale, and one third of the proceeds to be distributed among the poor, and the residue expended upon masses for his soul. Dated London, 3 August, A.D. 1390.

Roll 130 (65).

**Exton**<sup>2</sup> (NICHOLAS). — To John Curteys his brother certain rents in the parish of All Hallows de Grasschirche; and to Sir Henry Cokeham, rector of the church of S. Mary atte Hull, and his successors certain other rents in the same parish for keeping his obit, &c. Johanna his wife appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 24 October, A.D. 1393.

Roll 130 (69).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Alphege [19 April].*

**Moore** (WILLIAM), vintner. — To Elizabeth his wife lands, tenements, and rents in the parishes of S. James de Garlekhithe, S. Michael de Quenehithe, S. Antonin de Watlyngstrete, and All

<sup>1</sup> Buttermere.

<sup>2</sup> Fishmonger; Sheriff, 1384; twice Mayor, 1386 and 1387; knighted with Walworth on the occasion of the latter killing Wat Tyler. Was associated with Nicholas Brembre and the free Fishmongers of the City against the party of John de Northampton. It was during his mayoralty that a book called 'Jubile,' promulgated, no doubt, by John de Northampton and his associates, and containing new regulations for the City's governance contrary to old and approved customs, was ordered

by the Common Council and other citizens to be burnt without the Guildhall. There appear, however, to have been two opinions as to the nature and value of this book, for from a petition to Parliament, quoted by Riley ('Memoirs,' p. 494, note), it appears that others considered the book to comprise "all the good articles pertaining to the good governance of the said City," and that it had been burnt "without consent of the good Commons of the City."



Hallows the Less near the Ropery for life, so that she maintain a chantry in the aforesaid church of S. James; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses, repair of roads, &c. His feoffees of lands and tenements in the vill of Suthwerk and in the city of Rouchestre are to convey a life interest in the same to his aforesaid wife. Also his feoffees of the manor of Coldham in the parish of Elm, co. Cambridge, are desired to sell his share or moiety of the same, and devote the proceeds to pious uses. Dated London, 8 September, A.D. 1400. Roll 130 (96).

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**Panton** (THOMAS), goldsmith.—To Johanna his wife lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Matthew in Fridaistrete and S. Brigid in Fletestrete for life; remainder in trust for sale, and out of the proceeds certain bequests to be paid to Matilda and Thomas, children of Robert Willy, late goldsmith, and others. Dated 2 June, A.D. 1400. Roll 130 (106).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Preston** (AGNES, relict of RICHARD DE, merchant).—To Sir Roger Hulstre, rector or parson of the church of All Hallows at the Hay in the Ropery, and churchwardens of the same, she leaves a certain tenement situate within her late husband's tenement called "Beaurepeir," in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, in aid of a chantry founded by her said husband in the aforesaid church, as by his testament<sup>1</sup> it appears. Dated 12 February, A.D. 1400. Roll 130 (115).

**Pope** (JOHN), "wexchaundler."—To Elizabeth his wife his tenement in Candelwykstret at the corner of S. Clement's Lane in the parish of S. Clement near Estchepe for life. The reversion of the same to be immediately sold, William Fynch, "wexchaundler," being preferred purchaser to all others, and the proceeds devoted to the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna, Mary, and Mary his late wives, the welfare of Elizabeth his wife, the souls of Goda his daughter, John his father, Alice his mother, and others. Dated 12 May, A.D. 1402.

Roll 130 (117).

*[There are no wills entered on Roll 131.]*

<sup>1</sup> *Supra*, Roll 120 (16).

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*Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and C. [13 Oct.].*

**Fraunceys** (WILLIAM), goldsmith.—To Adam his son he leaves all his tenements in Cattestrete<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Laurence, Old Jewry, in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses, the Wardens of the Mistery of Goldsmithery being favoured in the purchase of the same, if they will, for the alms of the said mistery. Dated London, 24 August, A.D. 1403.

Roll 132 (2).

**Doget** (JOHN), vintner.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Leonard de Estchepe, according to directions given in his other testament touching his movable goods. If Alice his wife prove to be *enceinte* within half a year after his decease, he wills that the infant enjoy an estate tail in a tenement called “le Bole” and shops in the parish of S. Leonard aforesaid, according to the form of the testament of Walter Doget his father, otherwise his said wife is to hold the same for life; remainder to the rector and churchwardens of S. Leonard’s aforesaid for the maintenance of chantries for the good of his soul, the souls of Idonia and Alice his wives, Thomas Doget and John Doget, father of the same, Walter Doget, Alice Doget, and others, and for providing tapers to burn on their several tombs, &c. Dated London, 29 July, A.D. 1403. Roll 132 (3).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Brounesbury** (JOHN), butcher, of the parish of S. Leonard de Estchep.—To be buried in the said parish church near his wives. To Sir Robert Fitz<sup>2</sup> Hugh, rector, and the churchwardens of the aforesaid church, he leaves a tenement and shops in the parish of S. Leonard for the maintenance of a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna, Alice, and Isabella his wives, John his father, Eva his mother, and others, and for the observance of his obit and other pious uses as directed. No bishop nor ordinary to intermeddle with the said chantry. In default of the said chantry being maintained according to his wishes, he directs that the aforesaid tenements,

<sup>1</sup> Now Gresham Street.

<sup>2</sup> As to the use of “fitz” in a Latin document, see note *supra*, p. 113.

&c., shall remain to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City of London and their successors for the use of London Bridge<sup>1</sup> for the purpose of providing a chantry in the chapel upon the same. Dated London, 7 February, A.D. 1402.—Also to the aforesaid rector and churchwardens he leaves a vestment, a chalice, missal, and other ornaments for a chaplain ministering in the aforesaid church for his chantry aforesaid. Roll 132 (5).

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**Brynchele** (WILLIAM), otherwise called “atte Lee,” chandler.—To Agnes his wife tenements in the parish of S. Laurence de Pulteneye in S. Martin Orgar Lane, and in S. Michael’s Lane in the parish of S. Michael, Croked Lane, for life; remainder to William his son in tail; remainder to pious uses. Dated London, 4 April, A.D. 1402. Roll 132 (6).

**Atte Bowe** (CRISTINA, relict of THOMAS, apothecary).—To John her son all her tenements in the parish of S. Leonard in Fastreslane<sup>2</sup> for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated 27 March, A.D. 1403. Roll 132 (8).

**Waddesworth** (WILLIAM), grocer.—To William his son the reversion of certain cottages in the parish of S. Botolph without Bisshoppesgate in tail; remainder in trust for sale for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes his late wife and others. Other tenements in the parishes of S. Antonin de Walbrook and S. Margaret the Virgin in Bruggestrete, of which the testator has the reversion under the will of Felicia, relict of John Peutry<sup>3</sup> (Pentry?), are also to be sold, and forty pounds sterling out of the proceeds to be devoted to the maintenance of chantries in the church of S. Stephen in Walbrook, and other sums to go to Margaret and Anne his daughters, Johanna Cookham his sister, and others. Felicia his wife appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 7 February, A.D. 1398. Roll 132 (10).

*Monday next before the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

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**Bealhomme** (WILLIAM), “lethersellere.”—To Alice his wife, by

<sup>1</sup> In other words, to the Mayor and Commonalty in their capacity as trustees for London Bridge.

<sup>2</sup> Foster Lane, probably a corruption from “Vaster” or S. Vedast Lane.

<sup>3</sup> Enrolled *supra*, p. 233.

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way of dower and her share of his lands and tenements, he leaves an annual quitrent issuing from his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Alban in Wodestrete, All Hallows near the Wall, S. Giles without Crepulgate, or elsewhere, for life, or so long as she shall remain a widow; if she marry she is to have one third of all his aforesaid lands and tenements. To Thomas his son he leaves the aforesaid property, subject to the above bequest to his wife, in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses in the church of S. Martin Pomer and for charitable gifts to the poor, especial respect being had for those with whom he has had any commercial transactions. His lands and tenements in Grubbestret and Morelane in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate to be sold to help carry out his testament. The residue of his goods and chattels to be divided into three parts, one part to go to his wife, a second to his aforesaid son, and the third part to be devoted to the good of his soul. Dated London, 20 July, A.D. 1401.

Roll 132 (44).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. George, Martyr [23 April].*

**Wygemore** (ROGER), Esquire.—To be buried in the church of the Blessed Victor (*beati Victoris*) at Wygemore.<sup>1</sup> His lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Stephen de Colmanstrete and S. Margaret de Lothebury he leaves to trustees, on condition that if Cristina his wife consents to carry out a bargain respecting a portion of the same made between Henry Julian, ironmonger, and the testator, then they are to give a good title in the remainder to his aforesaid wife, otherwise the whole of the lands and tenements are to be sold for pious uses. Dated at Lucton,<sup>2</sup> 5 January, A.D. 1402.

Roll 132 (72).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Palmere** (THOMAS), senior, of the parish of S. Margaret de Briggestret, fishmonger.—Matilda his wife to have a life interest in his mansion house in Crokedlane in the parish of S. Margaret de Briggestret by way of dower. To Sir Roger his son, a canon of Crichirche, London, an annual rent issuing from a house in the same lane and parish. Also to Henry Palmer, a canon of Ledes,

<sup>1</sup> Co. Hereford.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Hereford.

his kinsman, and to Sir Thomas Felaw, chaplain, he leaves annuities. To Thomas his son shops in the parish of S. Margaret aforesaid and the reversion of his mansion house for life; remainder to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Margaret, the issues thereof being devoted to the use of the body of the said church, the old work of S. Paul's, and to charitable gifts in equal portions. Dated London, 20 April, A.D. 1398.

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Roll 132 (98).

**Phippe**<sup>1</sup> (STEPHEN).—To Alice his wife a tenement left to him by John Phippe, late "coreour," his father, situate in *le Morestret* in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid (*sic*), for life; remainder to William his son, Johanna and Katherine his daughters, for their respective lives in succession; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. The residue of his goods and chattels he leaves to his aforesaid wife by way of dower. Dated London, the last day of July, A.D. 1400.

Roll 132 (113).

#### ANNO 6 HENRY IV.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Burlee** (ELIZABETH, relict of ROBERT, mercer).—By virtue and authority of the liberty of the City of London, tardily (*tarde*) proclaimed by licence of the lord the King, she now leaves to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Pancras and their successors six shillings and eightpence annual quitrent issuing from her tenement called "le Sarzynesheued" in the parish of S. Mildred in the Poultry, on condition they observe her obit and the obit of her late husband as directed. In case of default, remainder over to the Mayor and Aldermen of London in aid of chantries in the chapel of the Holy Trinity (*sic*) at the Guildhall. Dated 19 August, A.D. 1400.

Roll 133 (8).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Mayner** (JOHN), "bokelsmyth."—If Alice his wife take another husband she is to maintain a chantry in the church of S. Michael in Bassyngeshawe for seven years next after his decease. His lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Swithun in Candel-

<sup>1</sup> Styled in the margin "Coreour."

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**1404.** his said wife and the proceeds devoted to pious uses. The residue of his goods, after discharge of debts, he leaves to his wife absolutely by way of her dower or reasonable part of his movable goods. Dated London, 16 August, A.D. 1400. Roll 133 (16).

**Lyndeseye** (ROBERT), draper.—To Alice his wife his lands and tenements in the parish of All Hallows de Bredstrete for life; remainder to John his son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Also to his aforesaid son he leaves his share in the great place called “le ledynhalle,” with advowsons, &c., in the parish of S. Peter upon Cornhull, and his lands and tenements held by feoffees in the counties of Kent, Surrey, and Middlesex in tail, with reversion to his said feoffees in trust for pious uses. Dated London, 22 February, A.D. 1399. Roll 133 (18).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Dodeslond** (RICHARD), called “Kent,” citizen and *Toloser*.—To Sir Thomas Lovent, perpetual vicar of the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate, and his successors, and to the masters or wardens of the Fraternity or Guild of S. Mary and S. Giles, late founded by the lord the King in the said church, and their successors, he leaves a certain tenement in *la Morestrete* in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid in aid of the alms of the said fraternity. To Elizabeth his wife his dwelling-house in the same street for life, so long as she remain unmarried; remainder in trust for sale, and one moiety of the proceeds to go to his wife, and the other to be devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church, saving thereout the sum of twenty shillings for each of his three daughters.<sup>2</sup> Dated London, 22 February, A.D. 1398.

Roll 133 (22).

**A.D.** *Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*  
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**Salman** (SALAMON), mercer.—To Alice his wife shops, selds, &c.

<sup>1</sup> Among the names of his co-feoffees of Leaden Hall appears that of Robert Rykedon, who, according to Stow, conveyed the manor of Leaden Hall, together with the advowsons of S. Peter's Church, the church of S. Margaret Patens, &c., to Richard Whittington in 1408; the said

Whittington in 1411 conveying the property to the Mayor and Commonalty of London, whereby it came into the possession of the City ('Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 58).

<sup>2</sup> Their names are not given.

in the parish of S. Mary le Bow in Westchepe for life, charged with the payment of an annual rent of one hundred shillings to John his son; remainder to his said son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. His feoffees of a messuage in Milkstrete to convey the same to his wife for life, with similar remainders. The residue of his goods after discharge of debts he leaves to his wife by way of her dower and reasonable part of his goods and chattels. Dated London, 21 April, A.D. 1404.

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Roll 133 (33).

**Lyndiwyk** (ALICE, relict of ROBERT, butcher).—A certain tenement in the parish of S. Bartholomew aforesaid (*sic*) to be sold by her feoffees immediately, and specific sums of money out of the proceeds to go to Alice Gamelyn and Alice Goldesburgh her god-daughters. Dated London, 7 October, A.D. 1404.

Roll 133 (35).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Sibsay** (THOMAS), tailor.—To be buried in S. John the Baptist's Chapel in S. Paul's or in the parish church of S. Thomas the Apostle. To Margaret, wife of John Norwold, mercer, his tenement called "le Saresyneshede" in Bredestrete, parish of All Hallows, for life, charged with an annual payment of forty shillings to the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity of S. John of the Tailors of London, to be by them expended in pious and charitable uses for the good of his soul. After the decease of the said Margaret the tenement aforesaid is to remain to the master and wardens, brethren and sisters, of the said fraternity, on condition that they keep the same in repair and maintain a chantry in the aforesaid chapel. In default, the property to go to the Mayor or Warden, the Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of London on similar conditions. To Alice his wife he leaves shops in Grubbestrete near the fountain<sup>1</sup> there in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. A tenement in the parish of S. Stephen near London Wall to be sold to pay his debts. Dated London, 21 January, A.D. 1404.—To Henry Sibsay

<sup>1</sup> A short distance from the east end of the parish church was a water conduit, with leaden pipes, bringing water from Highbury, laid down by John

Middleton, executor of Sir William Eastfield. See his will enrolled *infra*, Roll 175 (19).

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1404-5. he leaves a place called "Hadlo" in the parish of *la leye*, co. Kent, in fee simple, unless redeemed by payment of forty marks by Thomas Hadlo or the heirs of the same within six years after his decease. Roll 133 (46).

**Sussex (JOHN)**, draper of London, and burgess of the vill of Calais.—His feoffees of a tenement at Bermondeseye to convey the same to John Brounesbury, butcher, in fee. To William Norhampton, clerk of the lord the King, his estate in a mansion situate within the cloister of the church of S. Katherine towards Turhill.<sup>1</sup> His tenements in Cordewanerstret in the parish of S. Thomas the Apostle, and a tenement called "le Belle" in Westchepe in the parish of S. Mary le Bow, to be sold to fulfil his testament. A tenement called "lytil Roche" in Courtstret in the vill of Calais, and another tenement in the parish of S. Mary in the same vill, to be also sold for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 23 August, A.D. 1399. Roll 133 (47).

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**Payn (ROGER)**, "Sporier."—To Sir William Doune, rector of the church of S. Martin near Ludgate, and successors of the same, he leaves a certain quitrent issuing from tenements in the parish of S. Martin aforesaid, on condition that a chantry be maintained for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes his late wife and others. Dated London, 13 February, A.D. 1404.

Roll 133 (57).

**Frankleyn (JOHN)**, draper.—To Cecilia his wife for life all his tenements, held under the Dean and Chapter of the Royal College of S. Martin le Grand, at Baynardescastell in the parish of S. Benedict; remainder to Stephen and Nicholas his sons. Also to his said wife a tenement in Colmanstrete for life, with remainder to Nicholas his son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Also to his wife another tenement in the same street for life; remainder to Stephen his son in tail, with similar further remainder. To Andrew Norwych, the rector, and churchwardens of S. Clement's near Candilwyk Strete, he leaves the reversion of a tenement in S. Clement's Lane in trust for sale, the proceeds

<sup>1</sup> Tower Hill.



to be devoted to pious uses for the souls of John Cok, Esquire, and Margery, wife of the same, the ornaments of the church of S. Clement, &c. Dated London, 10 October, A.D. 1403.

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Roll 133 (58).

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Arnold** (RICHARD), goldsmith.—Leaves all his tenements in the parish of S. Augustine near S. Paul's to the Hospital of S. Mary de Elsyngspetele and canons of the same, on condition that his obit be observed as directed. In default the property to remain to the Wardens of the Mistery of the Goldsmiths and their successors, so that they observe his obit in like manner in the church of S. Vedast. To Juliana his sister an annual rent issuing from certain tenements in Goderenelane (or Goterene-lane<sup>1</sup>) in the parish of S. Vedast for life, which tenements he leaves to John Grantham, goldsmith, on condition that the said devisee pay his executors fifty marks. His feoffees of lands and tenements in the counties of Middlesex and Bucks to sell the same to fulfil this his testament and will. Dated London, 26 March, A.D. 1405.

Roll 133 (62).

**Reygate** (THOMAS), chandler.—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph near Byllyngesgate. To Thomas his son in tail the reversion of certain shops in the parish of S. Leonard de Estchepe after the decease of Matilda his wife; remainder to William his son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, Thursday, viz. 1 January, A.D. 1404.

Roll 133 (63).

**Wotton** (MARGARET, relict of WILLIAM).—To the Master and Wardens of the College and Church of S. Laurence de Pulteneye a moiety of the tenement called "le Cok on the hoop," with wharf, &c., in Thamisesstrete in the parish of S. Magnus the Martyr near London Bridge, for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Laurence aforesaid for the good of her soul, the souls of William her late husband, Thomas her father, Johanna her mother, William her brother, Agnes her sister, and others. But her will is that the said master and wardens take no more than

<sup>1</sup> Now Gutter Lane.

A.D. 1405. ten marks of the above property, and that the residue go to Nicholas her son. Dated London, 5 February, A.D. 1404.

Roll 133 (64).

**Whaplode** (JOHANNA, late wife of JOHN).—Her tenements in the parishes of S. Margaret de Brigstret and S. Leonard de Estchepe to be sold to fulfil her testament. Her executors to sell her lands and tenements in the parish of Northbemflete<sup>1</sup> or elsewhere in co. Essex, and her feoffees of the same to give a good title to the purchaser. Dated London, 3 June, A.D. 1404.

Roll 133 (65).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Oteleye** (JOHN), mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Laurence in the Old Jewry. To Agnes his wife he leaves, by way of her reasonable part, all the lands and tenements in the parish of S. Katherine Colman within Algate, which he had by feoffment of Thomas Oteleye his brother and Alice, wife of the same, for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses for the good of his soul, the souls of the aforesaid Thomas and of Katherine, former wife of Thomas, and others. Dated London, 12 October, A.D. 1404.

Roll 133 (84).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

**Storme** (ALICE, wife<sup>2</sup> of RICHARD, brewer).—Her feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in London and in the parish of Enefeld, co. Middlesex, are directed, immediately after her decease, to convey the same to Richard her husband for life, and to sell the reversion. Her husband to devote the residue of her goods and chattels to the good of her soul in such manner as he would wish her to do for him in like case. Dated London, 12 October, A.D. 1405.

Roll 133\* (1).

**Kyrkeby** (JOHN).—To be buried in the church of S. Laurence in the Jewry near Johanna his late wife. Bequests for a chantry

<sup>1</sup> North Benfleet.

<sup>2</sup> An instance of a will made by a 

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in the said church, to the vicar and chaplains of the church of S. Olave in the Jewry, to John Wodeboke, Alice, wife of Thomas Cressy, and others. To Johanna his wife his body-linen, bed-linen, household utensils, &c. [His funeral expenses to be first paid, then his debts, and the residue of his property is to be divided into three parts: one part to go to the dead man,<sup>1</sup> a second part to the dead man's wife, and the third part to his children. His eldest son, John, is to have forty pounds more than any other child. As for the dead man, he wishes a chantry to be maintained for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his wife, Adam and Agnes his parents, and his portion to be devoted to pious and charitable uses.<sup>2</sup>] The residue of his goods and chattels to be divided among his wife and children. Dated 11 January, A.D. 1405. A.D.  
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Roll 133\* (12).

**Brabson** (MAZERA, formerly wife of ROBERT, "stokfiss-monger"), and afterwards wife of Gilbert Aghton, "stokfiss-monger," widow.—Releases the Prior and Convent of Newerk near Gildeford from payment of an annual rent of ten marks due for a term of forty years, on condition they observe her obit, &c., as directed; in default her executors are to devote the said rent to the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Magnus. Her tenement in the parish of S. Alban in Wodestret to be sold. Dated London, 16 March, A.D. 1404.

Roll 133\* (13).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Vincent, Martyr [22 Jan.].*

**Langhorne** (JOHN), "brasier."—To be buried in the church of S. Michael upon Cornhill. To Sir Thomas Whithed, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the said church, he leaves an annual rent of ten marks issuing from his lands, tenements, shops, &c., called "le Newe Aley," in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, on condition they maintain a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Petronilla his late wife and others, as directed; in default the said rent to go to the Wardens of London Bridge, by the name of "the Mayor or Commonalty of the City of London to the use and maintenance of London Bridge," for main-

<sup>1</sup> See Part I., Introd., p. xxxiii.

<sup>2</sup> The portion of the will in brackets | is written in French, the rest being in Latin.

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taining a chantry in the chapel of S. Thomas the Martyr upon the bridge. His executors to sell all his lands and tenements within the City: one moiety of the proceeds to go to Alice his wife by way of dower, and the other moiety to be devoted to pious uses, repair of roads, bestowal of marriage portions, &c. His wife to have also one half of the residue of his goods and chattels by way of her share of his movables, the rest being devoted to pious uses. His lands and tenements in the parish of Camerwelle and elsewhere in co. Surrey, the parishes of Leuesham, Sutton atte Hone, Frenyngham,<sup>1</sup> and Cranebrook in co. Kent, Terryng,<sup>2</sup> Bradewater,<sup>3</sup> Hene,<sup>4</sup> Worthing, Salnyngton,<sup>5</sup> and Deryngton<sup>6</sup> in co. Sussex, to be sold by his executors, and his feoffees in trust to give a good title to the purchaser. His wife to have a moiety of the proceeds. Dated London, Sunday the Feast of S. Nicholas, Bishop [6 Dec.], A.D. 1405.

Roll 133\* (18).

**Godman (JOHN)**, otherwise called "Fraunceys," goldsmith.—To Elizabeth his wife all his lands, tenements, &c., in the parishes of S. Vedast, S. Michael le Quern, S. Augustine at S. Paul's Gate, and S. Michael de Wodestrete de Hoggenlane, for life; remainder, as to a portion, to Elizabeth Pyngwidell and Rosia her sister for their lives, with further remainder to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Goldsmiths of London in aid of the blind, bedridden, and sick of the said mistery, and for the due observance of his obit by the wardens and six of their fellows of the said mistery as directed; remainder, as to another portion, to John, son of the said Elizabeth Pyngwidell, after his wife's death, to hold for life, with similar remainder over to the Wardens, &c., of the Mistery of the Goldsmiths. Other tenements he directs to be sold and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses, comprising the repair of roads, the delivery of prisoners in Newegate and Ludgate, &c. Among various tenements mentioned are "le Gryffyn," "le Flourdelys," and "le Cardenles-hatte," all of them situate in or near Westchepe. Dated London, 25 June, A.D. 1405.

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<sup>1</sup> Farningham.

<sup>2</sup> Tarring.

<sup>3</sup> Broadwater.

<sup>4</sup> Heene.

<sup>5</sup> Saltington.

<sup>6</sup> Durrington; this and other places named are all in the vicinity of Worthing.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].* A.D. 1405-6.

**Wight** (THOMAS), grocer (*grossarius*).—To Cecilia his wife all his lands and tenements in the parish of All Hallows at the Hay for life; remainder to John his son in tail; remainder to John, William, and Richard, sons of William Wight his brother, and the heirs of their respective bodies, and in default to charitable uses. Dated London, the last day of September, A.D. 1396.

Roll 133\* (38).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Carbonell** (JOHN), goldsmith.—To be buried in the church of S. Vedast. To the Wardens of the Mistery of Goldsmithery (*Aurifabrie*) and their successors he leaves houses, &c., in Goderonlane in the parish of S. Vedast, in Burdellane,<sup>1</sup> and in Westchepe in the parish of S. Mary de Colchirch, so that they maintain a chantry in the church of S. Vedast for the souls of John Maplesden, William Stamelden, and Alice, wife of the said John and William, as directed. To John his son houses and shops in Westchepe in the parish of S. Vedast, and in Briggestrete in the parish of S. Magnus, rents in Fletestrete in the parish of S. Dunstan, a rent of a garden called “le Jewengardyn”<sup>2</sup> in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, and a shop in the parish of S. Mary de Colcherche. In default of an heir of his body the whole of the property to go to the Wardens of the Mistery of the Goldsmithery aforesaid, so that they keep it in repair and maintain thereout a chantry in the church of S. Vedast as directed. Dated London, 20 December, A.D. 1405.

Roll 133\* (44).

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Bateman** (JOHANNA, wife of RALPH), formerly wife of Thomas Morrant, fishmonger.—Makes her will with the consent of her husband. Confirms the provision of the will of her former husband whereby he devised the reversion of certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Nicholas Acon near Lumbardstrete to Thomas Morrant his son in tail, until promoted to some ecclesiastical

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<sup>1</sup> Bordhawe or Bordhaugly Lane, in the parish of S. Mary Colechurch. Probably so called from a board or timber yard, although its proximity to Gropecuntelane (Part I. p. 302) suggests a connexion with “bawd.”

<sup>2</sup> See note, Part I. p. 452.

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benefice of greater value than the profits of the said lands and tenements, with remainder to Johanna, daughter of Katherine his daughter deceased. Dated London, *en le Vyntrye*, 6 March, A.D. 1402. Roll 133\* (50).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Wynter** (WILLIAM), cooper.—To Master Simon Neylond, rector, and the churchwardens of the church of S. Michael near Queenhithe, and their successors, he leaves certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, of which he had been jointly seised with others. Dated London, 22 December, A.D. 1405.

Roll 133\* (68).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Botolph, Abbot [17 June].*

**Whitwelle** (HENRY), “stokfissmongere.”—To Laurence his son in tail the reversion of a tenement at the corner of S. Michael's Lane towards Thamisestrete in the parish of S. Michael de Crokedlane, after the decease of Beatrix his wife; remainders to John his son and Johanna his daughter in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes and Beatrix his wives, and others. Also to his aforesaid children in successive tail he leaves tenements and rents in the parishes of S. Magnus the Martyr near London Bridge and S. Mary atte Hill, with remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. The manor of Okoohirst (?), whereof he has the reversion, to descend to his heirs in strict tail. His feoffees of lands and tenements at Watford, Rykmeresworth, Oxeye Richard,<sup>1</sup> and Oxeye Walrond, co. Herts, and at Haruwe, co. Middlesex, to convey an estate tail in them to John his son, with remainder to Laurence his son. Dated London, 27 October, A.D. 1405.

Roll 133\* (71).

<sup>1</sup> By inquisition taken 3 Henry V., it appears that Hugh Holes, Knt., was seised of the manor of Oxey Richard, which he held under the Abbot of St. Albans. The manor continued to belong to the Abbot and Convent of St. Albans until its dissolution, when it was granted by King Henry VIII. to James Joskyn and Joan his wife by the name of the manor of Witteginhall or

Wiginghall (Clutterbuck's ‘History of Hertfordshire,’ i. 246).

<sup>2</sup> Or Oxey-Wall-Round, a manor near Watford, known also as the manor of Wiggenghall. Was granted by Adam Breredene, parson of the church of S. Mary at Hill, London, to John Deverose (Devereux), Knt., anno 48 Edward III. (Close Roll, referred to by Clutterbuck, ‘Hertfordshire,’ i. 245).

## ANNO 8 HENRY IV.

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*Monday next after F. of S. Edmund, King and Martyr [20 Nov.].*

**Shrouesbury (JOHN).**—To be buried in S. John's Chapel in the church of S. Andrew in Holbourne. To Alice his wife all his lands and tenements in Holbourne in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid for life. His feoffees of lands and tenements in co. Surrey to convey a life estate in the same to his said wife. After the decease of his wife the whole of the property aforesaid to be sold, and certain chantries to be maintained in the aforesaid church out of the proceeds. Dated London, the Vigil of S. Bartholomew, Apostle [24 Aug.], A.D. 1406. Roll 134 (2).

**Shilford (JOHN), draper.**—The reversion of certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Margaret de Lothebury, accruing to him after the decease of Alice his wife, to be sold at his death to fulfil his testament. The residue, &c. Dated London, 27 July, A.D. 1406. Roll 134 (16).

**Ratteseye (ADAM), vintner.**—To Peter Gyveyn, rector of the church of S. Dionisius de Bakchirche, and parishioners of the same, and their successors, he leaves the tenement wherein he dwelt, so that they observe his obit and that of Cristina his wife, and maintain divine service, &c., out of the issues of the same as directed. Dated London, 16 February, A.D. 1405.

Roll 134 (22).

*Monday the Feast of S. Nicholas, Bishop [6 Dec.].*

**Forster (JOHN), goldsmith.**—His feoffees of a tenement and shops near the tenement called "le Walschrente" and elsewhere in the parishes of S. Peter in Westchepe and S. Michael de Wodestrete to convey the same to Alice his wife for life. He wills that certain rents of the said property should after her decease go to his god-daughter Johanna, daughter of John Curraunt, goldsmith. The reversion of the above tenements to be sold for pious uses, saving the above rents. Dated 6 May, A.D. 1406.

Roll 134 (41).

*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

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**Atte Vyne (ANDREW), draper.**—Bequest of a certain rent to Sir

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Adam Warldesworth, parson of the church of S. Margaret Patyns, and his successors, for providing a chantry in the said church for the souls of William atte Vyne, Isabella, wife of the same, Thomas atte Vyne, the testator's father, and Alice, wife of the said Thomas, Amia, the testator's wife, and others; the said bequest being made according to the terms of the will of Thomas atte Vyne, late woolmonger, proved and enrolled in the Husting of London for Pleas of Land held on Monday next after the Feast of SS. Philip and James [1 May], 23 Edward III. [A.D. 1349].<sup>1</sup> To Amia his wife he leaves all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Margaret Patyns, subject to the above rent-charge, for life; remainder to Andrew his son in tail; remainder to the poor of the Hospital of S. Thomas in Southewerk and for observing the obits of the aforesaid Thomas and Andrew in the church of S. Dunstan *en le Est*. Dated London, the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.], A.D. 1406. Roll 134 (44).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

**Brampton** (WILLIAM), "stokfisshmongere."—To be buried in the church of S. Magnus near London Bridge. To Alice his wife a tenement and wharf in Thamisestrete in the parish of S. Magnus for life and one year more; remainder to Sir Thomas Overton, rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Magnus aforesaid, and their successors, for the maintenance of a perpetual chantry, observance of his obit, &c.; remainder, in case of default, to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City of London and their successors to the use and maintenance of London Bridge. The Mayor or Warden of the City for the time being to see that the chantry is properly maintained, and to receive six shillings and eightpence therefor. Also to his aforesaid wife a brewery called "le lampe on the hoop" in the parish of S. Ethelburga within Bisshoppisgate for life; remainder to James his son in tail male; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds to be divided among the surviving daughters of the said James. Also to his said son tenements at the corner of the lane of S. Michael de Crokedlane. Dated London, 5 June, A.D. 1405.

Roll 134 (54).

<sup>1</sup> Part I. p. 552.



*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

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**Brampton** (WILLIAM), "stokfisshmongere."—His other testament, touching all his lands and tenements within the City of London and without, to be duly fulfilled, with the exception of his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Olave de Suthwerk,<sup>1</sup> concerning which he now wills that his feoffees of the same convey the same to Alice his wife for life and sell the reversion. One fourth of the proceeds to go to James his son, and the residue to the maintenance of chantries in the churches of S. Olave aforesaid and S. Magnus. Dated London, 6 November, A.D. 1406.

Roll 134 (58).

*Monday the Feast of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Dyk** (JOHN), tapicer.—To be buried in the porch of the church of S. Dionisius Bakchirche. To Johanna his wife lands and tenements in the parish of S. Dionisius aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale, except a brewery called "le Christofre on the hoop," and a portion of the proceeds to be devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his wife, Robert his father, Agnes his mother, and others. His wife to observe his obit as directed. His lands and tenements in co. Kent to be sold by his feoffees and executors, and the proceeds devoted to fulfilling this his testament. Dated London, 18 September, A.D. 1405.

Roll 134 (64).

*Monday next before the F. of S. Alphege, Archbishop [19 April].*

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**Sandwich** (LUCY), widow of Walter Mayne, moneyer or minter.—Her executors to sell her tenements in the parish of S. James de Garlekhithe for pious uses. The residue of her goods, &c. Dated 1 July, A.D. 1405.

Roll 134 (76).

**Lodewyk** (ROBERT).—Leaves certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. John upon Walbrooke to Sir Robert Brome, clerk, John Trenche and John Brokhole, chandlers, and William Broun, clerk, absolutely. Dated London, 12 March, A.D. 1406.

Roll 134 (77).

<sup>1</sup> It will be seen that no lands or tenements in this parish are devised in the will preceding, so that we are led to conjecture that the testator is here referring to another will, or else that the preceding will was not enrolled in its entirety, as, indeed, was frequently the case. (See Part I., Introduct., p. xxvi.)

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1407.*Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Cresewyk (WILLIAM).**—To William Pycard, grocer, tenements in the parish of S. Clement near Estchepe for life; remainder to Thomas Tollerton, rector, and the churchwardens of the church of S. Martin Orgar near Candelwykstrete and their successors, to whom he also leaves the reversion of other tenements in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate; charged with the maintenance of certain chantries in the church of S. Martin aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of William Hyde, late grocer, John Curteys de Wymynton, and others, and also with the observance of his obit, &c. In default the whole of the aforesaid property to go to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London for maintaining chantries in the chapel of S. Mary at the Guildhall. Dated London, 19 October, A.D. 1406. Roll 134 (88).

**Wilford (THOMAS),** fishmonger.—To Elizabeth his wife lands, tenements, and rents in the parishes of S. Anne within Aldrychgate, S. Mary de Colcherche, S. Mary Somerset, S. Margaret in Briggestrete, S. Mary atte Hull, and S. Mary Fanchirche for life; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds devoted to poor and sick in divers parts of England upon *Upland*,<sup>1</sup> viz., ploughmen, carters, orphans, widows, and others. Other tenements in the parishes of S. Dunstan in le Est and S. Michael in Wodestrete, jointly held by himself and his wife, to be likewise sold, either by his executors or by members of the art of Fishmongers in Olde-fisshstrete and Briggestrete with the advice of the Mayor for the time being, and the proceeds similarly disposed of. His feoffees of property in other parishes in the City and Suthwerk, and in the vills and parishes of Charlewode<sup>2</sup> and Thorley,<sup>3</sup> the parish of S. Mary de Newenton, the vill and fields of Pekham in the parish of Camerwelle, co. Surrey, to convey a life estate in

<sup>1</sup> The general name for country places. At the famous *Iter* held in the City of London, anno 14 Edward II., A.D. 1321, after an interval of forty-four years, the poulterers of the City, in answer to a charge of selling poultry contrary to the assize, made answer that poultry was so very dear, as well at *Upelawnd* as in the City, that they really could not follow their trade for the benefit of

the public according to the assize ('Lib. Cust.,' Rolls Series, Introd., p. xcii). Again, we find the barbers in 1376 complaining of the number of barbers, knowing nothing of their craft, who flocked to the City from *Uppelande* ('Memorials,' p. 393).

<sup>2</sup> Co. Surrey.

<sup>3</sup> Horley (?), near Charlwood.

the same to his aforesaid wife; remainder in trust for sale for uses aforesaid. His lands and tenements in the vill and parish of Torlaston, co. Notyngham, to be sold, and the proceeds distributed among his poor relations. A chantry to be maintained in the chapel rebuilt by him in the church of S. Mary Somerset. Dated London, 8 November, A.D. 1405. Roll 134 (100).

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**Wakele (JOHN)**, vintner.—To Matilda his wife lands, tenements, and rents in the parishes of S. Martin Oteswych, S. Benedict Fynk, S. Edmund, King and Martyr, in Lumbardestrete, S. Andrew near Baynardescastell, and S. Brigid in Fletestrete for life, on condition that she content herself with the portion of goods left to her in his will touching his movables by way of her share, according to law and the custom of the City of London; otherwise she is to take nothing of the aforesaid lands, tenements, and rents, but only her portion of his movables according to law and custom. John his son to have the reversion of the aforesaid lands, tenements, and rents in tail. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves certain chambers in the tenement wherein he dwelt, situate in the said (*sic*) parish of S. Botolph, together with an easement of a wharf appertaining to the said tenement. After the decease of his wife and son without an heir of the body, the aforesaid property is to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to the repair of churches and highways, bestowing marriage portions, and other pious and charitable uses. The reversion of certain tenements held by John his son and Margaret, wife of the same, situate in Berebyndereslane in the parish of S. Mary de Wollechirchehawe and in Wodestret in the parish of S. Michael de Hoggenlane and elsewhere, to be sold for pious uses. Dated London, 2 April, A.D. 1407. Roll 134 (103).

**Cresewyk (WILLIAM)**, citizen and freeman of the City of London.—To Alice his wife lands, tenements, and rents in the parishes of S. Martin Oteswych and S. Dionisius de Bakchirche for life, so that she maintain during her lifetime a chantry in the chapel of S. Katherine within the churchyard of the church of H. Trinity called "Crichirche" within Algate, and observe his obit as directed. After her death certain rents to go to the church

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of H. Trinity aforesaid and prior and convent of the same for pious uses for the souls of William Cresewyk, Alice, wife of the same [the testator and his wife?], Henry and Richard, Agnes and Agnes, the fathers and mothers of the said William and Alice, Thomas, late husband of the aforesaid Alice, Robert, brother of the aforesaid William, and others. Also to the said Prior and Convent of H. Trinity he leaves the reversion of tenements in the parish of S. Martin aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Katherine aforesaid; also an iron-bound chest with locks and keys, his *messe-book*, vestment, chalice, his two new books called 'Greylls,' and a large *Porthors*. His name and the names of his wife and others to be inscribed above the altar with *orate pro animis*, &c. The chantry priest is directed every day at mass before office to face the congregation and say in English: "For William Soule Cresewyk and Alice his wif, and for alle these paresshins lyves and dedes, and for alle cristen soules *pater noster pro charyte*,"<sup>2</sup> and then to say a *pater noster* to himself and proceed to mass. His will, when proved and enrolled as is the custom in the Guildhall, to be placed in a box and deposited in the chest before mentioned. In default of the maintenance of the aforesaid chantry as directed, he wills that the property so devised remain to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London and the Chamberlain of the Guildhall for the time being for maintaining a chantry in the Guildhall Chapel. Also to Alice his wife he leaves lands and tenements at *le Barbican* in the parish of S. Botolph without Aldrichesgate for life; remainder to the Hospital of S. Bartholomew at Westsmythefeld, charged with the maintenance of a chantry, observance of the testator's obit, &c., as directed. To the poor church of S. Augustine Pappey near Bewesmarkes,<sup>3</sup> the rector and parishioners thereof, he leaves the reversion of a certain tenement and shops on condition that he be had in remembrance; and in default the same to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of

<sup>1</sup> *Gradals* or *Graduals*; service books containing the responses or *gradalia*, so called because they are sung *in gradibus*, or by course.

<sup>2</sup> The first sentence of English that has yet appeared in these wills.

<sup>3</sup> Or "Buries Markes," a place in Aldgate Ward, so called from having once belonged to the Abbot of Bury St. Edmund, co. Suffolk, corrupted into "Bevis Markes" (Stow).

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London for the maintenance of chantries in the Guildhall Chapel. To the church of S. Leonard in FASTERLANE and parishioners of the same certain rents in MORELANE near GRUBSTRETE in the parish of S. GILES without CREPULGATE, on condition that his obit be duly observed; and to the church and parishioners of S. SEPULCHRE without NEWGATE certain rents in the said parish. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves lands and tenements in SEINTLAURENCELANE in the parish of S. LAURENCE, OLD JEWRY, in FYNKESLANE in the parish of S. BENEDICT FYNK, and in TOURSTRETE in the parish of S. DUNSTAN EST, for life; remainder to John CRESEWYK de SHEFELD, co. YORK, his kinsman and right heir, being son of William CRESEWYK, brother of Henry, the testator's father. To John WODEHOUS, clerk, his kinsman, a tenement in S. BOTOLPH without BISSHOPPEGATE. To Thomas SKELTON, chevalier, a tenement and reversion of a "PYEBAKERSSHOP" in the parish of S. BENEDICT in GRESCHIRCHESTRETE, after the decease of JOHANNA, wife of Robert his brother. His wife to have a life interest in his manor or place called "DONEDALE"<sup>1</sup> in the parish of CAMERWELLE, co. SURREY; remainder to John NORTH his kinsman in tail male, with remainders over. The same John NORTH to enjoy a similar estate in a tenement called "WHITYNGES" near DONEDALE. His feoffees of his manor of COLDABBEBYE, co. SURREY, to convey a life estate in the same to Alice his wife; remainder to John WODEHOUS, his kinsman and clerk, in tail, with remainders over. Similarly his feoffees of a certain new tenement called "le loge," in the hamlet of PEKHAM in the parish of CAMERWELL, are to convey a life estate in the same to his wife; remainder to John WODEHOUS in tail, with remainders over, as in the case of his manor of COLDABBEBYE. Other devises respecting a house called "MALCOTES," opposite "le loge" aforesaid, land at STRODE near HEYGHBBURY, co. MIDDLESEX, and in "le STERTE" in the parish of CAMERWELL, a tenement in PEKHAM with land appertaining to the same in the fields of WERTHE, his manor called "HALLES" in the vill of HESTON, co. MIDDLESEX, &c. Dated London, 3 November, A.D. 1405. Roll 134 (105).

**Odyham** (RICHARD), grocer.—To be buried in the church of

<sup>1</sup> Or Dovedale. So called from its original possessor, named D'Ovedale or Dowdale. The manor of Coldabbeye (Cold Herbergh) was also in the neighbourhood.

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S. Antonin near Avelina his former wife. To Agnes his wife a certain tenement in the parish of S. Antonin for life; remainder to Elizabeth his daughter. His feoffees of a certain rent of a tenement at the corner of Sopereslane in the parish of S. Antonin to make a good estate in the same to his wife for life; remainder to his daughter. His feoffees of houses in the parish of S. Alban de Wodestret to convey a life estate in the same to Dionisia, wife of John Olneye, grocer; remainder to William Dyere, clerk, vicar of the church of Bray,<sup>1</sup> son of Richard Dyere of Abyndon. To Robert his son shops in the parishes of S. Mary de Aldermarchirche and S. Nicholas at the Shambles; and to Richard his son the reversion of property in the parish of S. Bartholomew without Aldrichesgate.<sup>2</sup> Dated London, 12 May, A.D. 1407.

Roll 134 (106).

**Coventre** (WILLIAM), mercer.—To Alice his wife, by way of dower and her share of his lands and tenements, he leaves an annual rent issuing from a tenement called “le Cage” in Westchepe in the parish of S. Mary le Bow, which tenement he leaves to John, Richard, and Robert his sons in successive tail; remainder to pious uses. Also to his said wife a leasehold tenement in the parish of S. Stephen in Colmanstrete, with remainders to William his son, Stephen Causton, son of the aforesaid Alice, and to John his son in succession. Dated London, 23 March, A.D. 1406.

Roll 134 (108).

**Oxenford** (THOMAS), carpenter.—To Alice Andrew his servant an annuity charged on his tenements in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate. To John and Richard his sons shops in the parish of S. Dunstan Est near a lane called “Porteslane.” His leasehold tenements in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid to be disposed of for the good of his soul. Dated London, 24 April, A.D. 1401.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Dadyngton** (JOHN), tailor.—To Juliana his wife tenements in Lymebyrnnerslane in the parish of S. Sepulchre in the suburb,

<sup>1</sup> Co. Berks.

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<sup>2</sup> S. Bartholomew the Great.

and in the parish of S. Bartholomew the Less<sup>1</sup> in the Ward of Bradstrete, for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated 1 July, A.D. 1407. Roll 135 (2). A.D.  
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**Atte Hill** (CLEMENCIA, formerly wife of RICHARD, late chandler).—To Nicholas Loseye, cordwainer, and Nicholas Kyngeston, scrivener, her estate in a tenement given to her by the aforesaid Robert Kyng (*sic*) her husband in the parish of S. Benedict de Graschirche, in trust for sale for charitable uses for the good of her soul, the souls of the said Robert Kyng and others. Dated London, 1 July, A.D. 1407. Roll 135 (3).

**Mapylton** (JOHN), "marbeler."—To Agnes his wife forty pounds sterling by way of dower, so that she forego her dower of his tenement in the parish of S. Dunstan in Fletestrete. The said tenement and all his marble to be sold by his executors to fulfil his testament and maintain a chantry in the church of the Carmelite Friars,<sup>2</sup> a portion of the proceeds being devoted to the poor of the parish of S. Dunstan aforesaid and to the repair of highways near London, &c. Dated London, the day and year aforesaid (*sic*). No date. Roll 135 (19).

**Mark** (ROGER), "bladsmyth."—To Cristina his wife lands, tenements, &c., in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Neugate for life. After the decease of his said wife a certain tenement in Coubryggestrete<sup>3</sup> in the suburb of London to be sold for pious uses, and certain lands and shops in Cokkeslane and Hosierlane<sup>4</sup> in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid to remain to the vicar and churchwardens of the said parish church and their successors in aid of a chantry in the said church. Dated London, 1 April, A.D. 1407. Roll 135 (20).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Beaumont** (THOMAS), woolmonger.—To John Russell, wool-

<sup>1</sup> Called also Little S. Bartholomew or S. Bartholomew by the Exchange.

<sup>2</sup> The White Friars, whose church was situate in or near Fleet Street towards the Thames.

<sup>3</sup> Cowbridge was one of the three bridges that spanned the Fleet.

<sup>4</sup> On the west side of Smithfield, says Stow, were fair inns and country buildings as far as "Hosiar lane, which also turneth down to Oldborne till it meet with Cowbridge street. From this lane to Cocke lane, over against Pie corner" ('Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 142).

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Roll 135 (37).

**Framelyngham** (WILLIAM), skinner. — To be buried in the church of S. John upon Walbrook. To Matilda his wife all his lands and tenements within the City of London, and a quitrent issuing from a tenement called "le Maydenesheed" in Westchepe, for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. His feoffees of property without the City are directed to convey a life estate therein to his aforesaid wife, and to sell the remainder or reversion. Dated London, 8 March, A.D. 1406.

Roll 135 (48).

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**1407-8.** *Monday the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Lodewyk** (MARY, relict of ROBERT, chandler). — Devises her tenement in Bordhawlane in the parish of S. Mary de Colcherche in trust for sale: one third of the proceeds to go to Margaret Langriche her sister, another third to Mary Werehorn her god-daughter, and the residue to pious uses. Dated London, 9 April, A.D. 1407.

Roll 135 (80).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Coste** (GODFREY), "ferrouer."<sup>1</sup> — To his executors certain shops in the parish of All Hallows de Grascherch in trust to pay thereout thirteen shillings and fourpence annually to Thomas and Richard his sons and to Robert, son of George Benet, his nephew, respectively. After the decease of his sons the property to be sold for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Marion, Margery, and Matilda his late wives, William and Agnes his children, and others, and the above bequest to his nephew to cease; but he devises to the said nephew certain shops near Lumbardestrete in tail; other bequests to Richard and William his nephews, sons of William Coste. Certain shops in Lymstrete, and others situate opposite the church of S. Benedict in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, to be disposed of for the good of his soul. Dated London, 13 March, A.D. 1407.

Roll 135 (82).

<sup>1</sup> Ironmonger.



*Monday next after F. of Annunciation of V. Mary [25 March].*

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**Atte Hays** (THOMAS), goldsmith.—To be buried in the church of S. Peter de Westchepe. To William, son of Robert Ramrygge, his kinsman and servant, an annuity of four marks issuing from his brewery called “le Horsheued” and shops in Bowyersrowe<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Martin within Ludgate, which brewery and shops, together with a tenement called “le horn on the hoop” in the parish of S. Dunstan in Fletestrete, he leaves to Matilda his wife for life; remainder to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Goldsmiths of London in aid of the blind and infirm of the said commonalty.<sup>2</sup> Also to his wife all his houses and shops in the parish of S. Anne near Aldrichgate, held under the Dean and Chapter of the free Royal Chapel of S. Martin le Grand, except one leasehold house, which he leaves to Johanna Grene for life. Dated London, 6 April, A.D. 1405. Roll 135 (86).

**Fulham** (THOMAS).—To Margaret his wife a shop in Briggestrete in the parish of S. Magnus, and rents in the parish of S. Michael de la Cokedlane, for life, so long as she remain unmarried; remainder to John his son in tail; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds to be devoted to the fabric of the church of S. Nicholas de Plumstede and the poor of the parish and other pious and charitable uses. Dated London, Friday, 5 November, A.D. 1406.—Also to John his son twenty pounds sterling and divers chattels and household goods, which are to remain to his aforesaid wife in the event of his son dying under age. Roll 135 (87).

**Knolles** (ROBERT), Knt.—To be buried in the conventual church of the Carmelite Friars near Fletestrete. To the master or warden and chaplains of the house of the chantry or college commonly called “Knollesalmeshows” in the vill of Pontefract in the diocese of York he leaves all his lands and tenements, &c.,

<sup>1</sup> Now part of Ludgate Hill; formerly occupied by bowyers.

<sup>2</sup> The property here devised comprised the several messuages known as Nos. 7 and 8, Stationers' Court, Nos. 36 and 37 (38?), Ludgate Street, and Nos. 164 and 165, Fleet Street. The Company in their return to the Livery Companies'

Commission, 1880 (vol. ii. p. 326), state the income of this charity estate then to have been 1,677*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.*; that the property in Fleet Street had been recently rebuilt and a new lease granted; and that the whole income had been applied for the ten years preceding to men and widow pensioners.

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within the City of London, comprising a great seld called "le leeg" in Westchepe in the parish of S. Mary le Bow, shops at the corner of Goderonlane in the parish of S. Peter de Wodestrete, a hostel called "le Kaye" in Graschirchestrete, with shops in the parish of All Hallows de Grascherche, tenements at the corner of Billyngesgate in the parish of S. Mary atte Hull and in Syvedenlane in the parishes of All Hallows de Berkynngcherche and S. Olave in Tower Ward, and elsewhere; to hold the same subject to the conditions and ordinances made by the testator and Custance his late wife, and sealed with the seals of the officials of the Courts of Canterbury and London respectively. This testament not intended to derogate from another testament touching his movables. Dated at his mansion house in Syvedenlane, the last day of October, A.D. 1389. Roll 135 (88).

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Atte Hale** (AGNES, relict of WILLIAM).—Her lands and tenements in the parish of S. Mary le Bow, and her tenement called "le Boreshede" in the street and parish of All Hallows de Bredestrete, to be sold, and one moiety of the proceeds to be devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Katherine within the churchyard of the Priory of H. Trinity within Algate for the good of her soul, the souls of William atte Hale and Robert Vannere her late husbands, William her father, Alice her mother, and others, and the residue distributed in charity. William Norton, draper, to be preferred to other purchasers. To Edmund, son of the said William Norton and of Alice his wife, daughter of the testatrix, she leaves certain lands and tenements in Bowlane in the parish of S. Michael de Paternostercherche in tail; remainder to Alice her daughter for life; remainder to Walter Gawtron her kinsman in tail; remainder to pious uses. To the Prior and Convent of H. Trinity aforesaid certain leaseholds in the parish of S. Andrew upon Cornhull, on condition they observe her obit, &c., as directed. Also to Alice her daughter a leasehold house and garden near *le Weyhous* within Algate; and to the aforesaid William Norton and Alice his wife for their respective lives lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Katherine de Criccherche and S. Katherine Colman near Colmanstrete,

otherwise called Fanchirchestrete, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Katherine de Criccherche aforesaid; remainder to Cristina their daughter and Edmund their son in successive tail. Dated London, 20 November, A.D. 1407.

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Roll 135 (97).

**Stone (THOMAS)**, "curreour."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Giles without Crepulgate. To John Caryk, "curreour," and Elena, wife of the same, he leaves his dwelling-house in Whitecrouchestrete in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid for the maintenance of John his son. The residue of his goods, after discharge of debts, he leaves to his executors, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Giles aforesaid for one year after his decease. Dated London, 4 November, A.D. 1407.

Roll 135 (98).

**Gerthe (ROBERT)**, "curreour."—To be buried in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate near the font. To Agnes his wife by way of dower he leaves a brewhouse called "le Flourdelys" in Goldynglane in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid for life; remainder to Sir Henry Drayton, vicar of the aforesaid church, and to the Wardens of the Fraternity of S. Giles for the maintenance of a perpetual chaplain and of the poor brethren of the fraternity, so that the said vicar and wardens cause certain masses to be said for his soul in the church of the Friars of the Holy Cross, and provide hoods for the poor bedemen of the fraternity, &c. Another brewery in Morestrete in the above parish to be sold, and thirty pounds of the proceeds to go to his wife by way of dower on condition she remain a widow. If his wife refuse the above bequests she is to take nothing under his will, but only what the common law of the realm allows her by way of dower. Also to his said wife he leaves certain leaseholds in the street called "le Barbican" in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid. Dated London, 20 February, A.D. 1407.

Roll 135 (99).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Curson (JOHN)**.—To William his son houses and shops in the parish of S. Nicholas at the Shambles. Dated London, 3 April, A.D. 1405.

Roll 135 (106).

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**Quecche (HUGH).**—To Michael Chete, chaplain of the chantry of the Blessed Mary in the church of Stenyng,<sup>1</sup> and successors, he leaves an annual quitrent of two marks, charged on his brewery in the parish of S. Dunstan West, for duly performing the services of the chantry. In default the said annual rent to go to the Mayor and Sheriffs of London for the time being for pious uses. Dated 6 October, A.D. 1402. Roll 135 (121).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Walcote (JOHN).**—To be buried near the chancel of the church of S. Nicholas Acon. Bequests to the said church, to divers orders of friars, and the work of London Bridge. To Cristina his wife for life his lands, tenements, &c., in the lane and parish of S. Nicholas Acon and the lane and parish of S. Martin Orgar; a brewery called “le Cheker,” and formerly called “le Dragon,” in Douegate in the parish of S. Mary de Bothawe; a tenement called “le Catfethele”<sup>2</sup> in the parish of S. Benedict Shorhog; tenements in the parish of S. Stephen in the Ward of Walbrook; rents of a tenement in the parish of All Hallows de Bredstrete, held by the Warden and Scholars of Merton Hall, Oxford, of a tenement called “le Honycorn on the hoop” in the parish of S. Nicholas Olof, and others; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. His lands and tenements in Holbourne and elsewhere in co. Middlesex to be sold by his executors, and a good title given to the purchaser by his feoffees of the same. To Sir Richard Chaundeler, rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Nicholas Acon, he leaves certain lands and tenements in the parish to the use of the fabric and ornaments of the said church. Dated London, 11 July, A.D. 1407. Roll 136 (4).

**Glovere (NICHOLAS),** glover, living within the close of the Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr in Suthwerk.—To the Prior

<sup>1</sup> Perhaps Steyning, co. Sussex.<sup>2</sup> The Cat and Fiddle. See the will of John Botiller (*supra*, p. 51), where

this tenement and also the brewery called “le Dragon” are devised to the testator.

and Convent of the Hospital of the Blessed Mary of Elsyngspittel within Crepulgate certain rents issuing from a brewery in the parish of S. Sepulchre within Neugate, on condition that his obit be observed in S. Thomas's Hospital and certain payments be made by the prior aforesaid out of the said rents for the good of his soul, the souls of Elizabeth his former wife and others, as directed. In default the rents to go to the Mayor or Warden and to the Chamberlain of the City for the time being for similar uses. The aforesaid brewery to be sold immediately after his decease and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses, subject to the above charge. Dated London, 11 January, A.D. 1406.

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Roll 136 (6).

**Aylewyn** (WALTER), fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas Coldabbey near Oldefisshstrete. Houses and shops in Westchepe in the parish of S. Pancras near the Conduit, and in Oldefisshstrete in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid, to be sold to assist in paying debts and legacies. The residue of his goods and chattels to go to Johanna his wife by way of dower and of her reasonable part. Dated London, Friday, 20 August, A.D. 1406.

Roll 136 (7).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop [11 Nov.].*

**Normanton** (JOHN), brewer.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Dunstan Est. To the Prior and Brethren of the Holy Cross for their prayers he leaves certain tenements in the street called "le Crouchedfrerestrete" in the parish of S. Olave near the Tower. Agnes his wife appointed executrix. Dated London, 28 May, A.D. 1405.

Roll 136 (11).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot<sup>1</sup> [6 Nov.].*

**Bechet** (RADEGUND), *domina de Mortemer*, citizen and free-woman of the City of London.—To be buried in the church of the Preaching Friars at Dunstaple. To William Haysarm, esquire, her servant, she leaves a tenement in the parish of S. Margaret Patyns. Dated London, 23 October, A.D. 1408.

Roll 136 (21).

<sup>1</sup> This membrane is out of its place.

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1408.*Monday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

**Ruwenhale**<sup>1</sup> (JOHN), called "Plot," "maltmongere."—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Andrew de Cornhull. To Dame Margaret Holmystede, Abbess of the House of S. Clare of the Order of the Minoresses without Algate, and convent of the same, he leaves certain shops in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid in pure and perpetual alms for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his late wife and others. Dated London, 3 April, A.D. 1400.

Roll 136 (33).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Mauncell** (ROBERT).—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Dunstan le West in Fletestrete. To Johanna his wife his tenement wherein he dwelt, called "Seynt Andrewescros on the hoop," in the parish of S. Dunstan aforesaid, near a tenement called "le Keye on the hoop," for life; remainder to Margery his daughter, wife of William Cawode, salter, in tail. To Thomas his son his entailed lands and tenements in Barnet, co. Herts. Dated London, 22 February, A.D. 1405.

Roll 136 (36).

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1409.*Monday the Feast of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Claveryng** (JOHN), draper.—To be buried in S. Mary's Chapel in the church of the college at Cobham,<sup>2</sup> co. Kent. To the master and brethren of the said college certain annual rents issuing from tenements in Cornhill in the parish of S. Christopher, on condition they keep his obit and devote the said rents to the objects specified by the testator, especially remembering in their prayers his soul, and the souls of Juliana and Alice his wives, Roger his father, Johanna his mother, and others. In default the said rents to go over to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Christopher for similar uses. A certain tenement to be sold by his executors, preference being given to John his son, William Weston, draper, and Richard Claydich, clerk, as purchasers, and twenty pounds of the proceeds, or more if need

<sup>1</sup> Dr. Furnivall has printed a will of the testator (or his namesake), dated 1408 ('Earliest English Wills,' p. 14).

<sup>2</sup> "John, Lord Cobham, A.D. 1362, made the parish church of S. Mary Magdalene here collegiate" ('Notit. Monast.,' p. 226).

be, to be devoted to the purchase of an entire vestment of white camlet, with amices and albs with apparel, for deacon and sub-deacon, and also three copes of white camlet for the choir<sup>1</sup> for service in the church of S. Christopher aforesaid, the said vestment, &c., to be embroidered with a *scochon*<sup>2</sup> of the testator, surrounded with the words "*Orate pro animabus Johannis Claveryng filii Rogeri et antecessorum suorum ac omnium eorum benefactorum*"; also for providing five vestments of white *Worsted* or *Fustian* with albs, amices, and other apparel, stained with similar *scochons* and legend. The rest of the proceeds to be devoted to the maintenance of chantries for the good of his soul, the purchase of blue *medle* cloth for making cloaks and hoods for the poor of the parish of S. Christopher and neighbouring parishes, the purchase of russet cloth of Wales for the poor of the parish of Cobham and neighbourhood, the repair of roads, &c. Dated London, 20 March, A.D. 1407. Roll 136 (65).

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**Appulby (JOHN)**, brewer. — To be buried in the church of S. Leonard de Estchepe near Johanna his late wife. To Johanna his present wife he leaves his brewhouse called "le Cok on the hoope" in the parish of S. Leonard aforesaid for life; remainders to Thomas, John, and Stephen his sons in successive tail; remainder to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Leonard aforesaid, for the maintenance of a chantry and other pious uses in the said church for the good of his soul. In default the property to remain to the Mayor and Commonalty to the use of London Bridge, and for the maintenance of a chantry in the chapel upon the same.<sup>3</sup> Dated London, 24 December, A.D. 1408.

Roll 136 (68).

#### ANNO 11 HENRY IV.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Burgherssh (ELIZABETH)** la Despenser.<sup>4</sup> — To be buried in the

<sup>1</sup> Otherwise called "cantelcopes."

<sup>2</sup> Escutcheon.

<sup>3</sup> In this case the property is not left to the Mayor and Commonalty as trustees only for London Bridge, but to them as a municipal body, who are to devote the proceeds to the use or work

of the bridge, and towards the maintenance of a chantry in the bridge chapel.

<sup>4</sup> Elizabeth, daughter of Bartholomew, second Baron Burghersh; married Edward, fifth Baron Despencer, who died in 1375.

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**1409.** church of Our Lady of Teukesbury near her lord Edward, Sire le Despenser, and her son Thomas,<sup>1</sup> Sire le Despenser. Directions for funeral, chantries, &c. To Geoffrey Scotte a tenement in Petrislane in London for life. Dated 4 July, A.D. 1409.

Roll 137 (20).

**A.D.**  
**1409-10.** *Monday next before the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*  
**Odiham** (AGNES, relict of RICHARD, grocer).—To be buried in the church of S. Antonin in the same tomb with her late husband. To Edward her son all her tenements in the parish of S. Antonin aforesaid at the west corner of Sopereslane. James her son appointed one of her executors. Dated London, 14 October, A.D. 1409.

Roll 137 (36).

**A.D.**  
**1410.** *Monday the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*  
**Waleys** (JOHN), called “Conyesburgh,” citizen and “pulter.”—To Sir John Whitby, rector of the church of S. Peter de Cornhill, and to the Wardens of the Fraternity and Guild of S. Peter in the said church, of which the testator was a member, he leaves certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Andrew Hubert near Estchepe, in aid of the chantry founded by John Foxton,<sup>2</sup> pepperer, in the aforesaid church; for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his late wife, the said John Foxton, and others. Should this devise be invalid by statute, he wills that the said property be sold, and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 20 April, A.D. 1410.

Roll 137 (69).

*Monday the Feast of S. Augustine, Bishop [26 May].*

**Betoigne** (ROBERT), goldsmith.—To be buried in the church of S. Martin Pomer. Bequests to the rector and chaplains of the said church. His feoffees of lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Mary Colchirche, S. Laurence in the Jewry, and elsewhere to convey a life estate in the same to Agnes his wife; remainder to Richard his son in tail; remainder to Margaret and Agnes his daughters in equal portions. Dated London, 10 February, A.D. 1409.

Roll 137 (78).

<sup>1</sup> Created Earl of Gloucester, 1397; |  
beheaded by the rabble, 1400.

<sup>2</sup> See his will, *supra*, p. 286.



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1410.*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

**Horston** (THOMAS), clerk, Rector of the parish church of Great Halyngbury<sup>1</sup> in the diocese of London.—To be buried near the remains of his father in the church of S. Benedict Shorhogg, to which he leaves a chalice, a vestment of *Bauderkyn*, two silver phials, together with altar cloths and red curtains. To the church of S. Giles at Halyngbury aforesaid ten marks and two books, viz. *Pupilla Oculi* and *Legenda Sanctorum*. To the fabric of the church of S. Michael at Storteford<sup>2</sup> twenty shillings. His lands and tenements within the City of London to be sold for pious and charitable uses. To Sir William Chesterton his chaplain four marks for celebrating in the church of S. Giles aforesaid for half a year next after his decease. Dated 20 September, A.D. 1410. Roll 138 (1).

**Wolfey** (JOHN), carpenter.—To be buried in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate near Cristina his late wife. His brewery called “le hert on the hoop,” with vessels of lead and wood, situate in *le Forestrete* in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid, to be sold, and twenty marks sterling of the proceeds to go to Agnes his wife. Out of the residue he makes bequests to the Fraternity of S. Giles within the aforesaid church, to each order of mendicant friars in London, and to John his son. Certain leaseholds in Grubbestrete to be likewise sold for pious and charitable uses. Also to Agnes his wife he leaves his leasehold brewery called “le Cok on the hoop” in Forestrete, and houses and shops at the corner of Grubbestrete, in special tail; remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of a chantry in the said church of S. Giles. His timber, nails, &c., in a certain close of his called “Tymberhawe”<sup>3</sup> and in his shop to be sold to fulfil his testament. Dated London, 12 September, A.D. 1410. Roll 138 (4).

**Comberton** (WILLIAM), skinner.—Testament touching his free lands and tenements in the City of London. To be buried in the church of S. John de Walbrook. The reversion of certain lands

<sup>1</sup> Co. Essex.<sup>2</sup> Bishop Stortford, co. Herts.<sup>3</sup> A courtyard for storing timber. Cf. Bordhawe (*supra*, p. 365 n.).

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and tenements in the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhill he leaves to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. John aforesaid and their successors, on condition they maintain a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Leticia his wife and others, keep his obit as directed, &c. In default the property to go to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael aforesaid for similar uses. Confirms certain bequests made by Ralph Foket<sup>1</sup> and Walter Furmager,<sup>2</sup> charged on the aforesaid property for the maintenance of chantries in the church of S. Michael aforesaid. Dated 25 February, A.D. 1403.

Roll 138 (6).

**Comberton (WILLIAM)**, skinner.—Confirms a bequest made by John de Newbury,<sup>3</sup> charged on certain tenements in Bogerowe in the parish of S. John [de Walbrook] now in the possession of the testator, for the maintenance of a chantry in the said parish church for the souls of William de Bristowe and others. Leticia his wife to have a life interest in the aforesaid tenements; remainder to William his son. Bequests to John Danndelyon his apprentice, Robert Fawne, skinner, Bartholomew Seman, "Goldebettere," and others. Dated London, 15 June, A.D. 1410.—Confirms his other testament touching lands and tenements in the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhill.

Roll 138 (7).

**Daveler (RICHARD)**, smith.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael upon Cornhill. To Katherine his wife for life a certain tenement in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid; the reversion of the same to be sold for the good of his soul, the souls of Margaret his late wife and others. Dated London, 8 March, A.D. 1408.

Roll 138 (12).

[*Monday*] next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].

**Middelton (ISABELLA)**, relict of JOHN DE.—Pursuant to the will of her late husband,<sup>4</sup> she and William Cressewyk, her husband's executors, had sold the reversion of certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Michael de Bassyngeshawe to Thomas Joye, skinner, and others,<sup>5</sup> who afterwards released the

<sup>1</sup> See his will enrolled *supra*, p. 21.<sup>2</sup> His will does not appear to have been enrolled.<sup>3</sup> See his will enrolled Part I. p. 404.<sup>4</sup> Enrolled *supra*, p. 228.<sup>5</sup> Roll 132 (29).

same to the testatrix. Of these lands and tenements she now devises a portion to Thomas Mundeville, having previously sold one of the tenements to Richard Horwode, mercer. The residue to remain in the hands of her executors for one whole year after her decease for providing a chantry in the church of S. Michael aforesaid, and then to go to the said Thomas Mundeville and Matilda his wife, daughter of the testatrix, in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Richard Wyldebore her brother appointed one of her executors. Dated London, Saturday, 14 June, A.D. 1410. Roll 138 (29). A.D.  
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*Monday the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

**Brownynge** (NICHOLAS), "Schipwrighte."—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of All Hallows called "Berkyngchirch." To Margery his wife his tenement in the street called "Petiwales" in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid for life; remainder to John his son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 16 February, A.D. 1396. Roll 138 (35). A.D.  
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**Bokkyng** (ELIAS), draper, citizen and freeman of the City of London.—Devise of a tenement in the lane called "Seint Swithoneslane" in the parish of S. Swithun de Candelwykstrete to Sir Richard Thorp, rector of the said parish church, and his successors, to serve as a rectory. If citizens of London were prevented at the time of his death from devising tenements within the City in mortmain, as of old they were accustomed,<sup>1</sup> or if this his devise should at any time afterwards become void by statute, he wills that the aforesaid tenement be sold by the rector and four trusty parishioners for the time being, and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 1 September, A.D. 1410. Roll 138 (37).

**Bangore** (PHILIP), draper.—To be buried either in S. Mary's Chapel or H. Trinity Chapel in the church of S. Mary de Abbechirch. His goods and chattels, after discharge of debts, to be divided into three parts, the first part to go to Margery his wife, the second to William his son, and the third to be devoted

<sup>1</sup> Part I., Introd., p. xxxvii.

**A.D.** to the good of his soul. Dated London, 3 January, A.D. 1409.—  
**1410-11.** Also he wills that his feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Clement near Candelwikstret, S. Martin Orgar, S. Michael de Crokedlane, and elsewhere in the City of London, make a life estate in the same to his aforesaid wife, with remainder to William his son in tail. Roll 138 (38).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

**Scot (RICHARD)**, "brewer."—To be buried in the churchyard of the conventual church of the Abbess and Convent of the Sisters Minoresses without Algate, near Ann his daughter. To the said abbess and convent he leaves certain rents in Thamysestrete in the parish of S. Michael de Crokidlane to have his soul in remembrance. Mention made of Margaret his wife as one of his executors. Dated London, 27 August, A.D. 1407.

Roll 138 (43).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*

**Mendeham (JOHN)**, carpenter.—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Benedict Fynk, where Alice his late wife lies buried. To Johanna his wife for life all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate near a brewery called "le dolfyn on the hoop" and the ditch called "le more," and his leasehold shop in the parish of S. Olave near the house of the Friars of Holy Cross; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Bequest for celebration of a S. Gregory's trental in the church of S. Botolph aforesaid. Of the residue of his goods and chattels, one third to go to his wife, and two thirds to be devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 27 November, A.D. 1410.

Roll 138 (48).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Olneye (JOHN)**, son of William Olneye, late fishmonger, and of Isabella, wife of the same, daughter of Richard de Hakeneye senior, late woolmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary atte Hill near the grave of Isabella his mother. To Johanna his wife for life a certain tenement in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid; remainder to his infant *en ventre sa mère* in tail; remainder in

trust for sale for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his wife, Richard de Hakeneye senior, Alice, wife of the same, Richard de Hakeneye junior, and others. Also to his said wife the reversion of a tenement called "le lambe on the hoop," situate on Billyngesgate wharf, for life; remainder to the aforesaid infant; ultimate remainder to the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Mary aforesaid as directed. In default the property is to remain to the Mayor and Commonalty as Wardens of London Bridge<sup>1</sup> for the maintenance of a chantry in the chapel of S. Thomas upon the said bridge. If the above devise in mortmain be invalid, the property is to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to uses aforesaid. Also to his said wife for life the reversion of another large tenement in the lane and parish of S. Mary atte Hill, together with the advowson of the said parish church; remainder to the infant aforesaid in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses, unless the men of the Mistery of Fishmongers of London be willing to purchase the same to the use of the Mistery. Also to his said wife the reversion of a hostel called "le Vyne" in the parish of S. Ethelburga within Bisshopesgate for life; remainders over. Dated London, 15 January, A.D. 1410.

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Roll 138 (56).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Payn (HENRY), "Foystour."**<sup>2</sup> —To be buried in the church of S. Alban de Wodestreet. To Matilda his wife a certain tenement in the parish of S. Alban aforesaid for life; remainder to the rector and churchwardens of the said parish church and their successors, on condition they maintain certain lamps and torches, pay a sum of money annually in aid of *Salve Regina* or other antiphon, and perform other duties within the said church as directed. In default, the Mayor or Warden of the City of London for the time being is to see his wishes carried out, the said Mayor receiving certain rents therefor. Also to his said wife rents in *le Forrestrete* without Crepulgate, so long as she remain unmarried, charged with certain payments for the maintenance of the light of the Blessed Mary in the church of S. Alban aforesaid. To

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 174.

<sup>2</sup> Fr. *fustier*, a joiner or maker of the woodwork of saddles.

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**1410-11.** Robert his son shops in "Kyngesaleye" in the parish of S. Vedast in Goterlane. His rents in Grubbestreet to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Dated 26 August, A.D. 1410.

Roll 138 (57).

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*Monday the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*<sup>1</sup>

**Wakefeld (JOHN)**, senior. — To be buried in the church of S. Katherine de Crichirche where his children lie. To Elizabeth his wife tenements in Candilwykstrete in the parish of S. Mary de Abbechirche for life, so long as she remain unmarried; remainder to William his son in tail; remainder to John his son in fee. Dated London, 12 December, A.D. 1408.

Roll 138 (66).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

**Eydon (THOMAS DE)**, chaplain, citizen of London, admitted to the freedom of the same city in the art and science of a scrivener. — To be buried in the church of S. Sepulchre without Neugate. To the vicar and churchwardens of the said church, and wardens of the light of the Blessed Virgin Mary therein, he leaves his tenement in Holbourne, for providing a chantry in the said church, for saying *Placebo* and *Dirige* on his anniversary for the good of his soul, and for performing other religious services as directed. Dated London, 21 July, A.D. 1400.

Roll 138 (72).

#### ANNO 13 HENRY IV.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Sauvage (JOHN)**, son of **ROBERT**, de Oulecotes,<sup>2</sup> co. Derby. — To be buried in the church of S. Antony, London, before the altar of S. Katherine. His lands and tenements in the parish of S. Benedict Fynk he leaves to the Master and Brethren of the Hospital House of S. Antony in London and their successors, upon certain conditions, among which are the following, viz., that they allow John Coly, chaplain, to remain for life in the house now occupied by the said John, and that the said master and brethren solemnly observe his obit as directed, &c. In default the afore-

<sup>1</sup> A membrane appears to have been here inserted out of its place. | <sup>2</sup> Or Oulecotes (Offcote Underwood?).

said tenements are to go over to the Prior and Convent of the Hospital of S. Mary without Bysshopesgate. A true copy of his testament to hang in a tablet (*in aliqua tabula*), open to public view, in the said church of S. Antony and in the conventual church of S. Mary aforesaid. Desires it to be known that his freedom is entered *temp.* James Andrew, Mayor of the City of London, John Cantebrigge being Chamberlain of the same, in a red book of redemptions of freedoms and apprentices, viz., 8 June, 42 Edward III. [A.D. 1368], in manner and form as set out. William Sauvage his brother appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 20 March, A.D. 1408. Roll 139 (2).

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**Jaket (ROGER).**—To be buried in the churchyard of the Preaching Friars at Ludgate, near the pulpit there. To Johanna his wife a tenement called “le ledynporche” in the parish of All Hallows de Bredestrete for life; remainder to John junior, his son, Alice and Agnes his daughters, and to his infant *en ventre sa mère*, and the heirs of their respective bodies, with further remainders to Johanna his daughter and John senior, his son, in successive tail; remainder to Johanna, daughter of Leticia his sister, in fee. Certain tenements in Basyngeslane, in the several parishes of S. Mildred de Bredstrete and Aldermarichirche, to be sold, and forty marks out of the proceeds to go to Johanna his daughter. Chantry to be maintained in the church of All Hallows aforesaid and elsewhere for the good of his soul. Dated London, 6 March, A.D. 1410. Roll 139 (4).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop [11 Nov.].*

**Briklesworth (PETER)**, draper, residing within the Close of the Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr in Suthwerk.—To be buried in All Saints’ Chapel in the church of S. Christopher. To Johanna his wife, if she be content to forego her dower of his other tenements, he leaves a certain tenement in the parish of S. Sepulchre within Newgate, and a leasehold tenement in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate, for life; remainder to John his son. His wife charged with providing a certain number of gowns, hoods, shoes, &c., for the poor of the parish of S. Christopher and of the next adjacent parish. Also to John his son houses and

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shops in the parish of S. Botolph without Aldrichgate in tail; remainder to Johanna his daughter. Also to his said daughter a tenement in the parish of S. Laurence in Old Jewry in tail; remainder to his aforesaid son. In the event of both son and daughter dying without an heir of their bodies, the above tenements to be devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 3 April, A.D. 1411. Roll 139 (23).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Vincent, Martyr [22 Jan.].*

Pull (RICHARD), cutler.—To Juliana his wife tenements in Flete-strete and Bowyerrowe in the parish of S. Martin within Ludgate, near the lane called “Eldenlane,”<sup>1</sup> for life, so long as she remain a widow, otherwise she is to take no more than her reasonable dower; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. His feoffees of lands and tenements in the city of Rochester and elsewhere in co. Kent to convey a life estate in the same to his aforesaid wife; remainder in trust for sale by his executors, and ten pounds of the proceeds to be for the repair of the bridge of Rouchestre. To the parish church of Wrotham, co. Kent, he leaves a priest’s vestment of the value of a hundred shillings, and forty shillings to be distributed among the poor of the parish. Dated London, 14 October, A.D. 1411. Roll 139 (27).

Auston or Austyn (JOHN), brewer.—To be buried in the church of S. Andrew at Baynardescastell before the image of S. Christopher lately set up by him. To Hugh Warde his kinsman his second-best gown of the livery of the Brewers with fur (*penula*) belonging to it. Dionisia his wife to maintain and clothe Thomas Shirley his kinsman. Also to the aforesaid Hugh the reversion of a certain tenement in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid. His feoffees of lands and tenements in Goldynglane to convey a life estate therein to his wife, with remainder to the said Hugh Warde, who, when he enters as heir upon his lands and tenements in Skellow in the parish of Auston, co. York, is directed to pay a certain annuity to Matilda his mother and Matilda his sister. The residue of his goods, after discharge of debts, he leaves to his aforesaid wife by way of her share and for his soul’s

<sup>1</sup> Old Dean Lane, now Warwick Lane.



health, as she would like him to do in similar case "*vice versa*." A.D.  
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 Dated London, 28 November, A.D. 1410. Roll 139 (28).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

**Staundon (WILLIAM)**, grocer.—To be buried in the porch of the church of S. Andrew at Wympole<sup>1</sup> near his late wife. One thousand masses to be said within three days of his death, and five hundred masses each quarter of the year next after his decease. To Agnes his wife he leaves, among other things, the furniture of two of his chief rooms at Wympole, his best gilt cup and *earwere*, &c. To Elizabeth his daughter two hundred pounds sterling if she attain the age of fourteen years. To Johanna Hunte his kinswoman, for her marriage, he leaves forty marks sterling and a bed. To William Brook one hundred pounds sterling if he attain the age of twenty-one, the said sum in the meanwhile to be entrusted to a merchant to trade withal within the realm of England and not beyond the sea, the said merchant taking half the profits for his trouble. Bequests to his servants, apprentices, and others. The sum of one hundred and sixty marks to be devoted to a chantry in the parish church of Wympole, and twenty pounds sterling for building a new aisle to the said church. Bequests also to his poor tenants at Wympole, Armyngton,<sup>2</sup> and Whaddon,<sup>3</sup> including gifts of white and red herring and bread during the season of Lent; to the inmates of Newgate and Ludgate, and for the maintenance of a chantry in the parish church of Staundon for the good of his soul, the souls of John his father, Alice his mother, Elizabeth his late wife, and others. Dated London, 3 February, A.D. 1409. Roll 139 (38).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Brodhok (JOHN)**, poulterer.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Andrew upon Cornhill near Alice his late wife. To John his son a tenement in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. His executors appointed guardians of his said son during minority, they giving security before the Mayor and Aldermen. Johanna his wife ap-

<sup>1</sup> Co. Cambridge.

<sup>2</sup> Arrington, near Wimpole, co. Camb. |

<sup>3</sup> Waddon, co. Cambridge.

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**1411-12.** pointed one of his executors. Dated London, 9 January, A.D. 1408.—His feoffees of lands and tenements in the parishes of Wymbyssh and Thaxstede, co. Essex, to make an estate tail in the same to his aforesaid son, reserving the reversion. His feoffees of copyhold lands and tenements in the parish of Stebenheth in trust are directed to obtain for his aforesaid wife a life estate in the same by will of the lord; remainder to his son in tail; remainder to Agnes and Margaret his daughters, according to the custom of the manor, by copy of the court roll to be thereupon made.

Roll 139 (50).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Baret (WILLIAM)**, merchant.—To be buried in Holy Trinity Chapel in the church of S. Dunstan near the Tower, near Alianora his late wife. His lands, tenements, and rents in the parish of All Hallows de Bredstrete to be sold to supplement this his testament. The sum of twenty pounds out of the residue of his goods and chattels to be devoted to masses, and the rest expended in aid of the seven works of mercy and charity,<sup>1</sup> as his executors may think fit. Dated London, 5 August, A.D. 1411.

Roll 139 (54).

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#### ANNO 14 HENRY IV.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Pounde (JOHN)**, "powchemaker."—To Katherine his wife lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Martin Pomers in Ismongerlane and S. Swithun in Candelwykstrete for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna and Johanna his late wives, and others, in the respective churches of S. Martin and S. Swithun aforesaid, and in the church of S. John Zakari, for distribution among the poor prisoners of Ludgate, Newgate, Flete, Marshalsea, and King's Bench, repair of highways, and other charitable uses. His feoffees of lands and

<sup>1</sup> Works of mercy were considered as either corporal or spiritual. The former, referring to seven acts of bodily kindness, are probably intended by the testator. They are usually understood to comprise the following charitable acts: (1) feeding the hungry, (2) giving drink to the thirsty, (3) clothing the naked, (4) sheltering the homeless, (5) visiting the sick, (6) ransoming captives, and (7) burying the dead.

tenements in the vills and parishes of Dagenham and Berkyng, co. Essex, to sell the same for charity, except his live and dead stock and wood, which he leaves to his aforesaid wife. Dated London, 14 October, A.D. 1412.

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Roll 140 (21).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Guphey or Guppeye** (ROBERT), mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Thomas de Acon near the old Conduit, where the Master and Wardens of the Mistery of Mercers of London shall ordain. To the Commonalty of the said Mistery he leaves certain houses in the parish of S. Laurence in Old Jewry, in the lane called “Sevehodenelane,” near a tenement called “le Cage,” which he acquired jointly with others by deed enrolled<sup>1</sup> in the Husting, and which his joint feoffees subsequently released to him by deed also enrolled<sup>2</sup>—to be held by the said Commonalty upon condition they keep the property in repair and maintain thereout a chantry in the said church of S. Thomas for the good of his soul, the souls of John his father, Johanna his mother, Johanna and Johanna his late wives, and others. The residue of the profits, if any, to go to the relief of the poor of the aforesaid Mistery. If the said chantry be not so maintained, and if the surplusage, after discharge of dues, be put to any other use, or if the bequest be void by law, he wills that the property remain to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City of London for the maintenance of a chantry in the chapel of the Guildhall, and the residue or surplusage of the profits to be distributed among the poor of the Mistery of Mercers as aforesaid. Dated London, 12 July, A.D. 1412.

Roll 140 (29).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

**Sutbury** (WILLIAM), draper.—To be buried in the church or churchyard of S. Mary de Bothawe. To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary de Abbechirche and their successors he leaves a certain tenement in Abbechirchelane, on condition they keep the same in good repair and devote the profits of the same to the use and benefit of the said church. In default the said tenement to go to the Mayor or Warden and

<sup>1</sup> Roll 128 (25).

<sup>2</sup> Roll 136 (31).

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**1412.** Commonalty of the City of London towards the repair of London Bridge. Dated London, 12 January, A.D. 1411. Roll 140 (31).

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**1412-13.** *Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul* [25 Jan.].

**Baret (WILLIAM).**—To be buried in the church of S. Dunstan near the Tower, to the rector and churchwardens of which he leaves his share of a tenement called “le Horsmelle” in the parish of S. Peter upon Cornhill (acquired by him jointly with others,<sup>1</sup> who had released to him their claim), together with other lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Dunstan and S. Margaret Patyns and elsewhere, on condition that they keep the same in good repair and maintain a chantry in the aforesaid church of S. Dunstan for the good of his soul, the souls of Alianora his late wife and others, the residue of the profits being kept for the ornaments of the said church and other necessities. In default of the chantry being properly maintained, the property is to go to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City of London for the maintenance of a chantry in the Guildhall Chapel. Dated London, 7 September, A.D. 1408. Roll 140 (49).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin* [5 Feb.].

**Knotte (ROBERT),** tailor.—To be buried in the common churchyard of S. Paul’s, where lies the body of his former wife. To Matilda his wife all his tenements and rents in the parish of S. Stephen in Colmanstrete for life, the reversion of the same being sold immediately after his death; also the residue of his goods and chattels, movable and immovable, in full satisfaction of her dower or share. Dated London, 12 December, A.D. 1412.

Roll 140 (50).

**Wynter (RICHARD),** “stokfisshmonger.”—To be buried in the church of S. Magnus near London Bridge. To Elizabeth his wife an annual rent of one hundred shillings, issuing from a tenement in Thames Street in the parish of S. Magnus aforesaid, for life, so long as she remain a chaste widow. To John Michell, “stokfisshmongere,” he leaves the aforesaid tenement for life; remainder to Richard, son of the said John, for life; remainder to the Abbess

<sup>1</sup> By deed enrolled at the Husting held | S. Luke, Evang. [18 Oct.], 17 Richard II.  
on Monday next after the Feast of [A.D. 1393]—Hust. Roll 122 (5).

and Convent of S. Clare of the Minoress Order near Algate, so that they have his soul in remembrance with *Placebo* and *Dirige*, &c. To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Magnus a shop in Briggestrete (which he jointly acquired with others by deed enrolled,<sup>1</sup> and afterwards his co-feoffees released the same to him), on condition that his obit be duly observed and other provisions fulfilled as directed, the residue of the profits being distributed among the poor. His tenement in the lane and parish of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate to be sold and the proceeds devoted to pious uses and the seven works of mercy, as his executors may think fit. Dated London, 5 September, A.D. 1412.

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Roll 140 (53).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

**Masoun (PETER)**, tailor. — To be buried in the church of S. Peter upon Cornhill in the grave where Johanna his late wife lies buried. To the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of the said church he leaves certain rents issuing from tenements in the parish of S. Mary de Colcherche near the old Conduit (which the testator had jointly acquired with others by deed enrolled,<sup>2</sup> and which his co-feoffees afterwards released to him), for the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his late wife and others; the chantry priest to be presented, on his election, to the Master and Wardens of the Tailors and Armourers of Linen Armour of the Fraternity of S. John the Baptist. If the bequest be misappropriated it is to go over to the Master and Brethren of the church of S. Thomas de Acon near the old Conduit, for the maintenance of a chantry in the said church. Dated London, 6 December, A.D. 1412.

Roll 140 (60).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Wodecok (JOHN)**, mercer. — To be buried in the church of S. Alban in Wodestrete. Bequests to the fabric of the body or nave of the said church; for books, ornaments, and other necessities; also for the maintenance of divers chantries therein for

<sup>1</sup> Anno 9 Henry IV., Hust. Roll 135 |  
(45).

<sup>2</sup> Roll 140 (3).

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the good of his soul, the souls of William his father, Johanna his mother, and others. Requests to the churches of S. Mary Magdalen de Mylkstrete, S. Michael de Bassyngeshawe, S. Stephen de Colmanstrete, the old work or fabric of S. Paul's, the priors and convents of S. Bartholomew de Smythfeld, S. Mary de Elsyngspitell, the Salutation of the Blessed Mary of the Carthusian Order without Alderichesgate, the house of Tanrigge, co. Surrey, &c.; to various hospitals and orders of friars; to the nuns in the house called "le Menoresse" without Algate, the nuns of the houses of S. John de Clerkenwell, Halywell, S. Elena within Bisshopesgate, and S. Katherine near the Tower; to the recluse at Westminster, to prisoners in Newgate and Ludgate, the Flete, Marshalsea, and King's Bench, &c. His funeral to be conducted without pomp; leaves fifty pounds for its expenses. To the box of the Art or Mistery of the Mercers of London in aid of charity he leaves twenty pounds, and a further sum of twenty marks to be distributed among those of the suit and livery (*de secta et veste*) of the Fraternity of the Art of the Mercers who have become poor. To the parish church of Edenbruge he leaves divers vestments, and forty shillings to be divided among the poor of the parish. Requests to the churches of S. George and S. Mary Magdalen and divers religious houses at Doncastre; also for the repair and maintenance of a common latrine, and a cross in the market place, erected by his father in the vill of Doncastre; and to numerous individuals more or less connected with that place. To William Askham, late Mayor of London, John Walden, esquire, his servants, apprentices, and others, he leaves sums of money or chattels, chiefly consisting of gold and silver cups. To Felicia his wife, by way of dower and her reasonable part, he leaves two thousand marks sterling, and all utensils, ustilments, linen and woollen cloths, &c., appertaining to his house, together with certain *chargeours*, *platers*, silver *saucers*, a silver *pouderbox*, &c., specifically bequeathed; also his lands, tenements, and rents in the parish of S. Alban de Wodestrete, with which if she be not content she is to take nothing but what she can and ought to take according to the common law and the custom of the City of London and county aforesaid (*sic*). To John and William his sons, Johanna and Philippa his daughters, he leaves two thousand marks

sterling, to be divided among them. His feoffees of the manor of Nobright, co. Surrey, to convey the same to his son John upon the said John coming of age; and in like manner his feoffees of the manor of Northstede are to convey the same to William his son. His tenements in Westchepe in the parish of S. Mary le Bow, his manors of Broxham, co. Kent, and of Berwe, co. Essex, and all his other lands and tenements in the counties of Kent, Surrey, and Essex, are to be sold to fulfil his last will. His executors not bound to pay any legacies till one whole year has elapsed since his decease. Dated London, 29 November, A.D. 1408. —To John Preston,<sup>1</sup> Recorder of London, a flat cup (*planum siphum*), silver gilt, of the value of four marks. A chantry to be maintained out of his lands and tenements in Basynglane in the church of S. Alban aforesaid.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Sudbury** (WILLIAM), draper.—To be buried in the church or churchyard of S. Mary de Bothawe. To Cecilia his wife a moiety of the tenement wherein he dwelt in Candelwykstrete in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. The said moiety had been acquired by the testator and Dionisia his former wife jointly from William Ashe and Margery, wife of the same, by deed enrolled in the Husting on Monday next after the Feast of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May], 11 Richard II.<sup>2</sup> [A.D. 1388]. Dated 10 March, A.D. 1411.

Roll 141 (24).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Gayton** or **Geyton** (JOHN), fishmonger.—To be buried in the cloister of the church of Preaching Friars near Ludgate where Isabella his late wife lies buried. Bequests to the prior and convent of the said friars, to the churches of S. Nicholas Coldabbey and S. [Nicholas] Olave, London, &c. All his tenements in the parish of S. Mildred in Bredstrete to be sold to pay debts and legacies, and the residue of the proceeds to be devoted to pious and charitable

<sup>1</sup> Appointed Justice of the King's Bench, 1423.

<sup>2</sup> Roll 116 (99).

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uses. To Alice his wife his mansion house called "le Swan on the hoop" and brewery adjacent in the parishes of S. Nicholas Coldabbey and S. Nicholas Olave aforesaid for life, by way of dower, charged with a certain payment to the Prior and Convent of Preaching Friars for observing his obit and the obit of Isabella his late wife; remainder, or reversion, in trust for sale, and a portion of the proceeds to be devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Nicholas Coldabbey for three whole years. George his apprentice to be released from three years' service on condition that he serve faithfully the testator's wife. Dated London, 28 March, A.D. 1413.—By codicil he wills that upon the sale of the remainder or reversion of the above tenement a certain quitrent be reserved, to be devoted to pious uses in the church of S. Nicholas Coldabbey as directed. Dated 10 April, A.D. 1413.

Roll 141 (31).

*Monday the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Hore** (JOHN), brewer.—To be buried in the church of S. Alphege within Crepulgate. To Alice his wife all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Alphege aforesaid for life, so that she keep his obit in the aforesaid church for the good of his soul [and] the soul of the aforesaid Isabella<sup>1</sup> (*sic*), with tolling of bells, *Placebo* and *Dirige*, with music at night and mass on the morrow, &c. The reversion of the above property to be sold in his wife's lifetime, with her consent, and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 3 March, A.D. 1412. Roll 141 (68).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

**Spicer** (MATTHEW), otherwise called "Tyce," "goldbetere."—To be buried in the church of S. Andrew upon Cornhill where Margaret his late wife lies buried. To John and Peter his sons he leaves a tenement called "le healme on the hoop" in the parish of S. Peter upon Cornhill, and others in the parishes of S. Andrew aforesaid and S. Mary de Fanchirche, in successive tail; remainder to Johanna his daughter in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Isabella his wife appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 1 October, A.D. 1413.

Roll 141 (69).

<sup>1</sup> Probably a former wife of the testator.



*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

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**Hamerton (JOHN)**, tailor.—To be buried in the church of S. Margaret de Lothebury near Katherine his late wife. To Coletta his wife all his tenements in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. A tenement at *le Tourhill* in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid to be sold, if necessary, to fulfil his testament. The residue of his goods to his aforesaid wife. Dated London, 22 October, A.D. 1409. Roll 141 (73).

**Stratton (NICHOLAS)**.—To be buried in the church of S. Alphege within Crepulgate. To John his son certain lands and tenements in Whitecrouchestrete in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. William Clay appointed guardian of his said son and property during minority. To Agnes his wife tenements and a garden in Morestrete in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Also to his said wife the residue of his goods and chattels, movable and immovable, by way of dower and of her share of his goods and chattels. Dated London, 13 January, A.D. 1412.

Roll 141 (78).

*Monday the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

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**Atte Felde (JOHN)**, brewer.—To be buried in the parish church of Stondon, co. Herts. To Anna his wife houses, &c., in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, and a tenement called "*le Boresheued*" with shops in the parish of All Hallows in Greschirchstrete, for life; remainders to John his son, Leticia, Johanna, and Emma his daughters, in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 12 March, A.D. 1405. Roll 141 (99).

**More (JOHN)**, brewer.—To be buried in the church of S. Magnus near London Bridge, near the bodies of his wives there buried. To Robert his son a sum of money, and shops, &c., in the lane and parish of S. Laurence in the Jewry in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. To Amia his wife

**A.D.** shops in Birchenlane in the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhull  
**1413-14.** (which the testator jointly acquired with others by deed enrolled,<sup>1</sup> and which his co-feoffees afterwards released to him) for life; remainder to his aforesaid son in tail. Also to his said wife for life a shop in Briggestrete in the parish of S. Magnus aforesaid, which he and Johanna his late wife acquired from the executors of John Langhorne, late brasier, by deed enrolled in the Husting of London for Pleas of Land held on Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July], anno 11 Henry IV.;<sup>2</sup> similar remainder. Dated 18 September, A.D. 1413.  
 Roll 141 (100).

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*Monday next before F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Cake** (THOMAS), called "Mallyng," mason.—Testament touching his goods and chattels, as well as his lands, tenements, and rents. To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Wollechirchewawe under the marble slab where rests the body of Johanna his late wife. His lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Margaret and S. George in Suthwerk to be immediately sold by his executors, and his feoffees in trust thereof to give a good title to the purchasers, the proceeds to go to Cristina his wife by way of dower of his lands and tenements, except forty pounds sterling, which Johanna his daughter is to have for her marriage. Also to his said wife he leaves a tenement at the corner of Walbrook and Bokeleresbury in the parish of S. Mary de Wollechirchewawe, and rents and tenements in the parishes of S. Mildred in the Poultry and S. Mary de Abbechirche, for life, charged with the observance of his obit in the church of S. Mary de Wollechirchewawe, and with providing clothes and shoes for seven poor men and women annually for three years; remainder to his aforesaid daughter in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses, repair of roads, relief of prisoners, &c. The residue of

<sup>1</sup> Anno 21 Richard II., Hust. Roll 126 (79).

<sup>2</sup> The year here given is probably a mistake for 8 Henry IV., inasmuch as no session of the Court appears to

have been held on the day and year mentioned, whereas a deed to the same effect is enrolled at a court held on the same day three years previously. Hust. Roll 134 (123).

his goods and chattels, after discharge of debts and legacies, to go to his wife by way of her share of his movable goods. Dated London, 1 October, A.D. 1412.—Also to Sir John Welles, Prior of Tunhridge, a mazer cup with silver-gilt stand and covercle worked with *Flourdelys*. His feoffees of lands and tenements in the vill and parish of Westmallyng, co. Kent, to make a life estate in the same to his aforesaid wife, with remainder to his daughter in tail.

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Roll 142 (3).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

Creek (JOHN), tailor.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Abbechirche near Candelwykstrete. To Johanna his wife lands and tenements in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid, and rents of a tenement formerly belonging to Sir Nicholas Brembre, Kut., in the lane and parish of S. Nicholas Acon near Lombardestrete, for life, so long as she remain a chaste widow; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Bequest of ten pounds for rebuilding the belfry of the church of S. Mary aforesaid, provided the work be commenced within two years after his decease. To Katherine his daughter twenty pounds sterling; and to the maintenance of the alms of the Fraternity of the Valet-Tailors<sup>1</sup> (*valeet' cissorum*) of London twenty shillings. His wife to have one half of the residue of his goods and chattels after discharge of debts, &c., the remainder being devoted to works of charity. Dated London, 12 February, A.D. 1413.

Roll 142 (6).

*Monday the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

Atte Lee (JOHN), senior, chandler.—To be buried in S. Mary's Chancel in the church of S. Andrew upon Cornhill near the tomb of Agnes and Elena his late wives. To Margaret his daughter, wife of William Walderne, mercer, divers lands, tenements, rents,

<sup>1</sup> These were servants and apprentices of the tailors of the City calling themselves Bachelor or Yeomen Tailors, and claiming to be a separate craft from the main body. They lived in a quarter by themselves, and led such a lawless life that in 1415 the Mayor and Aldermen ordered them to be placed under the rule and governance of the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity of Tailors of

London. It is difficult, says Mr. Clode, to determine the precise position which they held in the fraternity, inasmuch as no records of the Bachelors' Company exist, whilst the records of the Merchant Company only incidentally refer to meetings, elections, and contributions of the Bachelors ('Early Hist. of the Merchant Tailors' Company,' 1888, part i. ch. iii.).

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reversions, &c., in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid, the parish of S. Dionisius de Bakchirche, and elsewhere, which the testator and Matilda his then wife, now deceased, had jointly acquired, together with other tenements which the testator had jointly acquired with Elena and Agnes his former wives, to hold in tail, with remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Also to his aforesaid daughter his leasehold lands and tenements in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid. To John atte Lee, chandler, his kinsman, he leaves certain messuages and his tenement called "Copped-halle"<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate. Certain rents in the parish of All Hallows de Stanyngchirche and a tenement in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid to be sold to fulfil another testament touching his movable goods. To Sir William Derby, rector, the churchwardens and parishioners of the church of S. Andrew aforesaid, he leaves, besides rents, certain leasehold shops lately rebuilt by him upon the site of the churchyard, upon condition that they maintain thereout certain lights in the said church, and duly observe his obit as directed, &c. Dated London, 4 September, A.D. 1413. Roll 142 (13).

**Bryght** (ROBERT), otherwise called "Pannton," girdler.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael de Wodestrete. His funeral expenses to be settled by his executors according to directions contained in another testament touching his movable goods and chattels. The reversion of certain tenements in the parish of S. Michael de Wodestrete he leaves to the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of the said parish, for maintaining a chantry in the said parish church for the souls of Sir Robert de Launde, Knt., Cristina, wife of the same, and others, for providing lights, books, and ornaments therein, and maintaining fabric of the said church. Other lands and tenements in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid and the parish of S. Stephen in Colmanstrete he leaves to Sir Robert his son. Dated London, 1 December, A.D. 1411.

Roll 142 (15).

<sup>1</sup> The fact that there was such a place as Coppedhall in the parish of S. Botolph without Aldgate is just mentioned in Strype's Stow (ed. 1720, bk. ii. p. 22), and nothing more. It must not be confounded with the tenement of the same name situate near Dowgate in the parish of S. John, Walbrook, which afterwards came to be known as Skinners' Hall (*idem*, bk. ii. p. 201).

**Stapulford (JOHN).**—To be buried in the church of S. George near Estchepe. Bequests to the said church for chantries therein for the good of his soul, the souls of John and Margaret his parents, and others; to Master John Malverne, parson of the church of S. Dunstan near the Tower, and to the Fraternity of S. Mary in the said church. To Elizabeth his daughter he leaves the reversion of *le Brewhous* called “le Maydon on the hōp” in the parish of S. Dunstan aforesaid. To Elena his sister ten pounds. To Amia his wife one third of his movable goods after discharge of debts. To William his son his tenement at *le Stokkes* in London. To Nicholas his son a tenement at Lothebury. To Richard his son a cottage with curtilage at Redclyf in the parish of Stebunhith near London. His manor of Freythby and his stock in the vills of Stapulford and Wyverdeby,<sup>1</sup> co. Leicester, to be sold to fulfil his testament. Bequests also to the Fraternities of H. Trinity and Corpus Christi in Coventre, to his servants, and others. Dated London, 3 January, A.D. 1410.

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Another will whereby he directs that his body shall be buried in the church of S. George aforesaid. His goods and chattels, movable and immovable, to be distributed among his children and devoted to charitable objects as his executors may direct. Dated 15 May, A.D. 1413.

Another will, confirming his first will, except that he now leaves to Amia his wife his dwelling-house and *le Brewhous* called “le Maydyn in the hop” aforesaid for life; the reversion of the same, and also his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Margaret de Lothebury, S. Bartholomew the Less, and S. Christopher de Bradstrete, to be sold, and one third of the proceeds to go to his wife, another third to his children, and the residue to be devoted to pious uses. Dated 16 May, A.D. 1413.

Roll 142 (20).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Kelleseye (WILLIAM),** otherwise called “Clophill.”—Bequest to the high altar of the church of S. Botolph without Aldrychegate. To John his son divers chattels, and the reversion of all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Botolph, after the decease of

<sup>1</sup> Wyfordby, between Stapleford and Melton Mowbray.

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Lucy his wife, to hold in tail ; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds to be devoted to maintaining the fabric of the aforesaid church, repairing the road in front of the said tenements, and assisting his relations. His executors to pay to the Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr at Rome two shillings a year for the space of twenty years. Dated London, 20 August, A.D. 1400.

Roll 142 (36).

*Monday next after the F. of S. Martin, Bishop, in Yeme [11 Nov.].*

**In the Hay** (ROBERT), "Ferroure."—To be buried in the church of S. Dunstan in Fletestrete. To Cristina his wife lands and tenements in the parish of S. Dunstan aforesaid, and in Sholane near "Sporiers In" in the parish of S. Brigid in Fletestrete, for life ; remainder to Sir Thomas Walshford, perpetual vicar, and churchwardens of the church of S. Dunstan aforesaid and their successors, so that they maintain thereout a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Cristina his wife, Johanna and Alice his former wives, and others. Also he directs that all *rakkes* and *maungers* and twelve pairs of best *bedbordis* shall remain for use in the above tenements, and not be removed by his wife or anybody else. Dated London, 22 March, A.D. 1413.

Roll 142 (50).

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# ANNO 3 HENRY V.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Polle** (THOMAS), goldsmith.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Matthew in Fridaystrete near Johanna his late wife. To John Frere, goldsmith, a tenement in Goderonlane for life. To the Wardens of the Mistery of Goldsmiths of London and men of the same he leaves certain tenements in the same lane in the parish of S. Vedast, and others in Thamisestrete in the parish of S. Dunstan near the Tower, for maintaining a chantry at S. Dunstan's altar in the church of S. Matthew aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna and Alice his late wives, and others. He wills also that the said wardens and their successors duly observe his obit as directed. In default of the said chantry the property is to go over to the Mayor and Citizens and

Wardens of London Bridge, for carrying out the above directions. His tenements in the counties of Middlesex and Surrey to be sold for pious uses. Dated London, 17 June, A.D. 1413.

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Roll 143 (23).

*Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and C. [13 Oct.].*

**Edward** (ROBERT), butcher.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Leonard's de Estehep near his mother's grave. To Lucy his wife his mansion house in the parish of S. Leonard aforesaid for life; remainder to William his son in tail; remainder to Johanna his daughter in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 28 October, A.D. 1412.

Roll 143 (25).

**Oxneys** (JOHN), grocer.—To be buried in the church of S. Antonin. To the Prior and Convent of the Hospital of S. Mary de Elsyngspitell he leaves an easement, viz., the right of supporting a beam of their house near Sopereslane by a corbel in the testator's wall. To Elizabeth his wife tenements and shops in Sopereslane and Nedereslane<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Antonin, subject to the above easement, for life; remainder to his right heirs. Salamon his brother appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 20 November, A.D. 1409.—Also he wills that his feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in the county of Kent make a life estate to his aforesaid wife in certain lands, tenements, &c., in the parishes of Northbourne<sup>2</sup> and Sholdon,<sup>3</sup> and "Swyllings"<sup>4</sup> of Northbrook, Capell,<sup>5</sup> and Fenglesham, as well as in other property in Cotmanton<sup>6</sup> and elsewhere in co. Kent, formerly belonging to Giles his brother; remainder over.

Roll 143 (28).

**Odyham** (ROBERT), grocer.—To be buried in the church of S. Antonin under the stone of Richard his father. To Johanna his

<sup>1</sup> Needlers Lane (Stow).

<sup>2</sup> Sometimes called "Norborne"; comprises four boroughs, one of which is Finglesham. The church of Northbourne, with its chapels of Cotmanton and Sholdon, was anciently appendant to the manor. The church and manor were bestowed by Eadbald, King of Kent, upon the Abbey and Convent of S. Augustine, Canterbury, in 618 (Hasted's 'Hist. of Kent,' vol. iv. p. 142 *seq.*).

<sup>3</sup> Sholdon, near Northbourne.

<sup>4</sup> "Swollynga, Swulinga, vox Cantianis familiaris, idem quod Anglis *hyda*, seu ut est in Domesday, *Carucata*, nuncupatur" (Du Cange). It therefore may be translated *ploughland*, being etymologically connected with A.-S. *fulh*, a plough, which in the dialects of the west of England is still called a *sull*.

<sup>5</sup> Capel le Ferne (?).

<sup>6</sup> Cottington (?), near Sholdon.

**A.D. 1415.** mother shops in the parishes of S. Mary de Aldermarichirche and S. Nicholas at the Shambles for life; remainders to John, Robert, Thomas, William, James, and Richard his sons, and to Elizabeth his daughter, in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. To John Proffyt, fishmonger, and Elizabeth his wife, the testator's sister, rents issuing from a tenement in the parish of S. Antonin aforesaid. His manor of Newland in the parish of Tenham,<sup>1</sup> co. Kent, with live and dead stock thereon, to be sold to fulfil his testament and pay his debts. Dated London, 16 February, A.D. 1414. Roll 143 (32).

**A.D. 1415-16.** *Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*  
**Halton (HENRY)**, grocer.—To be buried in the church of S. Antonin. To Margery his wife for life all his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Mary Magdalen near the Old Fish Market, S. Peter near Pouleswharf, S. Martin Pomers in Irmongerlane, S. Michael Paternosterchirche in the Rirole, and S. Swithun; remainders to Thomas, Robert, and Richard his sons, and to Elizabeth, Margaret, and Blanche his daughters, and the heirs of their respective bodies; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 12 October, A.D. 1415. Roll 143 (50).

**Chaunge (SIMON)**, otherwise called "Baldewyn," citizen and "Fleccher."<sup>2</sup>—To Richard Laurence, otherwise called Richard "Hoke," tanner, and Avice, wife of the same, the testator's mother, he leaves cottages and gardens in Lymebrannerslane in the parish aforesaid (*sic*). Dated London, 12 July, A.D. 1415. Roll 143 (51).

*Monday next after the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

**Bamme (HENRY)**, goldsmith.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael in Hoggynlane, where Margaret his late wife lies buried. To Alice his wife, her executors and assigns, certain lands and tenements of which he and his said wife were jointly

<sup>1</sup> Teynham.

<sup>2</sup> Maker of arrows. Although the Bowyers and Fletchers are often mentioned together, they were occupied in separate crafts, and the members of

each were jealous of interference by members of the other. (See "Articles of the Bowyers and Fletchers," 1371, printed in Riley's 'Memorials,' p. 348.)



seised, to hold for her lifetime and for a term of six years after her decease. To John his son the reversion of tenements in Old Change in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen de Oldefissstrete, to hold in tail after the death of his wife and expiration of the term aforesaid; remainder to Henry and Thomas his sons in equal moieties, with further cross remainders. Also to Henry his son a similar reversion of a tenement in Westchepe in the parish of S. Vedast in tail, with similar remainders to John and Thomas aforesaid. Also to Thomas his son the reversion of a tenement in Wodestrete in tail, with remainders to his other sons in like manner. In the event of all his sons dying without issue the reversion of all the above tenements is to Master Robert Fitz Hugh, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael in Hoggynlane, on condition they maintain a chantry in the said church and have his obit observed, &c., as directed. In default the property to be sold and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 7 November, A.D. 1413.

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*Monday next after F. of Annunciation of V. Mary [25 March].*

**Toppesfeld (STEPHEN)**, cordwainer. — To be buried in the churchyard of S. Alphege within Crepulgate. His brewery called "le Cok on the hoop" in Philippestane in the parish of S. Alphege aforesaid to be sold, and five marks out of the proceeds to be given to the poor sick in the hospitals of Elsyngspitell, S. Bartholomew de Smythfeld, S. Mary de Bedlem, S. Mary without Bisshoppesgate, and S. Thomas in Suthwerk. To Agnes his wife, by way of dower and reasonable part, he leaves another brewery called "le Cok on the hoop" and certain tenements in Grubbestrete in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate for life; remainder in trust for sale, and certain sums of the proceeds to go to Stephen and William, sons of Simon Castwater, "coreour." Dated London, 2 January, A.D. 1414.

Roll 144 (7).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Grantham (WILLIAM)**, goldsmith. — To be buried according to

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directions contained in his will touching his movable goods and chattels. To Master Henry Broun, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Vedast and their successors, he leaves rents in Westchepe in the parish of S. Vedast aforesaid, and in Bredstrete in the parish of All Hallows de Bredstrete, on certain conditions, among which is one that the said rector, &c., shall maintain a perpetual chantry in the aforesaid church of S. Vedast for the good of his soul, the souls of William his father, Katherine his mother, Katherine his late wife, and others, and also observe his obit, &c., in manner as directed. In default the rents to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London for maintaining a chantry in the Guildhall Chapel, and for observing the testator's obit in the church of S. Vedast. To John his son he leaves tenements in Bredstrete and Westchepe, subject to the above rent-charge, in tail; remainder over. To Alice his wife, by way of dower, tenements in S. Matthew's Alley in the parish of S. Matthew de Fridaystrete and also in Cowlane<sup>1</sup> for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. The residue of his tenements, viz., his tenements in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen near Oldefisshstrete, to be sold, and twenty pounds sterling of the proceeds to go to Sir Simon his son, a monk in the Abbey of Hithe.<sup>2</sup> Dated London, 9 September, A.D. 1416. Roll 144 (37).

*Monday next before F. of S. Martin, Bishop, in Yeme [11 Nov.].*

Deyster (JOHN), citizen and "drouere."—To be buried in the Priory Church of S. Bartholomew in Westsmethefeld. To Margaret his wife his brewery called "le ledeneporche" in Smethefeld for life; remainder to the Master of the Guild or Fraternity of H. Trinity, S. Mary, and S. John the Baptist at Coventre, and brethren and sisters of the same, if they are willing to obtain at their own expense the King's licence for the same within half a year after his wife's death, otherwise the said tenement is to be disposed of by his executors for the good of his soul. To Johanna his daughter a certain tenement within the Bar of Westsmethefeld. Dated London, 22 April, A.D. 1415. Roll 144 (43).

<sup>1</sup> Also called Cowbridge Street, leading towards Holborn.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Kent.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

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**Rokulf (HENRY)**, otherwise called "Lynch."—To be buried in the church or churchyard of S. Andrew in Holbourne. A chantry to be maintained in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Isabella his late wife and others. To the rector and churchwardens of the said church and their successors he leaves his tenement called "le Mykelvyne" and other tenements in Goldenlane and elsewhere in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid, on condition they maintain certain chantries in the said church as directed. To Agnes his wife a hostel called "le swan on the hoop" in Holbourne for life, with remainder to William and Peter, sons of his said wife; also the residue of his goods and chattels, movable and immovable, after discharge of debts, legacies, &c., by way of dower and of her reasonable part. Dated London, 29 July, A.D. 1415.

Roll 144 (56).

**Crouche (ROGER)**, "stokfisshmongere."—To be buried in the church of S. Magnus near London Bridge. To Katherine his wife, by way of her share of his movable goods, if she will be content therewith, he leaves forty pounds sterling, and all ornaments, clothes, vessels, jewels, &c., appertaining to his domicile. His tenement in the parish of S. Nicholas Olof near Oldefisshstrete to be sold; forty marks of the proceeds to go to Johanna his kinswoman, and twenty pounds sterling for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Magnus aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes his late wife and others. Dated London, 24 October, A.D. 1414.

Roll 144 (58).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

**Radwelle (RICHARD)**, "stokfisshmongere."—To be buried in the church of S. Michael de Crokidlane near Elizabeth his late wife. His feoffees in trust of a certain tenement and wharf in Thamysestrete in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, and of a tenement called "le lamb on the hoop" in the same street in the parish of S. Magnus near London Bridge, are directed to make a good life estate in the same to Matilda his wife; remainder or reversion to be sold by his executors, and the proceeds devoted to pious uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Elizabeth his former wife,

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**1416-17.** John, James, and William his brothers, Juliana, wife of the said James, and others. Also to his said wife he leaves a tenement in Thamystrete in the parish of S. Martin Orgar for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. To Sir Thomas Hassok, rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael de Crokidlane and their successors, certain rents for observing his obit as directed, and for distribution among the poor of the parish. His lands and tenements at Radwell, Ruffenhale, and Norton, co. Herts, to be immediately sold by his executors to fulfil his testament touching his movable goods, and the residue to be divided into two parts, one part to go to his wife and the other to be devoted to masses, repair of highways, and other pious and charitable uses, as also for completing the work of covering the belfry and roof of the body of the church of Radwell, the chancel not benefiting by the bequest, that part of the church being left to the rector as is the custom. Dated 2 May, A.D. 1411. Roll 144 (64).

**Gippyng** (THOMAS), otherwise called "Lyncoln," draper.—To be buried in the church of S. James de Garlekhythe. To John Clyfton, the rector, and churchwardens of the said church and their successors, he leaves certain tenements in the parish of S. James aforesaid, as well as in the parish of S. Michael at Quenehithe, to defray his funeral expenses and for the maintenance of a chantry with "morowmasse" daily for the souls of Edward III., King of England, the testator, Johanna his late wife, and others, for due observance of his obit, with *Placebo* and *Dirige* at night and masses on the morrow, according to custom, and other pious and charitable uses. In default the property is to remain to the Abbey of Great Missenden,<sup>1</sup> co. Bucks, for like purposes in the church of S. Peter in the same vill. Also to the aforesaid rector and churchwardens of the church of S. James he leaves tenements in the parish of S. Dunstan West in Fletestrete, and in Grenewychlane in the parish of All Hallows at the Hay, for the purchase of tapers in honour of S. Nicholas in the said church of S. James, and for masses morning and evening, and other uses as directed; remainder in case of

<sup>1</sup> An abbey for Black Canons built by Sir William de Missenden, Knt., A.D. 1133.

default as before. The residue of his goods not otherwise disposed of he leaves to Beatrice and Juliana his bastard daughters in equal portions. Dated Monday, 18 December, A.D. 1413.—His feoffees of lands and tenements in the vill of Great Missenden aforesaid to sell the same by view of his executors, and the proceeds charged with the maintenance of a chantry for one whole year in the church of S. Peter in the same vill. Juliana Pleydon to have all his “Beddyng” in the same vill. Roll 144 (66).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

Clay (WILLIAM), “coryour.”—To be buried in the church of S. Alphege within Crepulgate near Isabella his late wife. To Johanna his daughter certain rents in the parish of All Hallows the Less. To Margaret his wife lands and tenements in the parish of S. Alphege for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 28 January, A.D. 1410.

Roll 144 (77).

#### ANNO 5 HENRY V.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

Aghton (NICHOLAS), “stokfishmonger.”—To be buried in the church of S. Magnus near London Bridge, where Emma his late wife lies. To Richard and Robert his sons tenements opposite *le Oystergate* and elsewhere in the parish of S. Magnus aforesaid in tail; remainder to Katherine, Johanna, Alice, Margaret, and Elena his daughters in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Emma his sister to receive assistance out of the residue of his goods and chattels. Dated London, 4 June, A.D. 1415.

Roll 145 (2).

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

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Rede (WALTER), girdler.—To Emma his wife, by way of dower and of her share of his goods and chattels, he leaves one hundred pounds sterling and all his hustilments and necessities appertaining to his hall, chamber, pantry, and kitchen, her clothes and ornaments; also a tenement in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate for life, remainder to John Boon and Agnes his wife,

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the testator's daughter, for their lives; remainder to John, son of John Holdernesne, in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. In the event of his aforesaid wife taking another husband she is not to intermeddle with nor enter the close and garden of the aforesaid John Boon without the special licence and permission of the said John. Dated 10 June, A.D. 1415. Roll 145 (8).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Halle** (ROBERT), goldsmith.—To be buried in the great churchyard of S. Paul's near the tomb of Johanna his mother before the cross there. To Margaret, widow of Richard Barton, late goldsmith, all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Bartholomew the Less<sup>1</sup> in the Ward of Bradestrete for life; remainder or reversion to be sold and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. The residue of his goods and chattels, after discharge of debts, he leaves to Johanna his wife by way of dower and of her reasonable part. John Halle his brother appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 27 May, A.D. 1417.

Roll 145 (17).

*Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Thomas the Martyr [7 July].*

**Stable** (THOMAS), mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Stephen de Colmanstrete, for which privilege he leaves six shillings and eightpence. The residue of his goods, after discharge of debts, he leaves to Katherine his wife absolutely. Also to his said wife all his lands and tenements in the lane called "Seintlaurencelane" in the parish of S. Laurence in the Old Jewry, in Sopereslane in the parish of S. Pancras, and in Colmanstrete in the parish of S. Stephen for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated 1 September, A.D. 1416.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Alphege, Bishop [19 April].*

**Braunthwayt** (JOHN), "Clothpakker."—To be buried in the

<sup>1</sup> Or Little S. Bartholomew by the Exchange.

choir of the church of All Hallows de Berkyngchirche near the Tower. To William his son his best girdle garnished with silver and his best baselard garnished with silver. To Alice his wife a tenement in Tourstrete at the corner of Berwardeslane in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid for life; remainder to Ralph and Thomas his sons, Annora his daughter, Robert his son, Margaret his daughter, John and William his sons, for their respective lives in succession; remainder over. Certain tenements in Sevethenlane in the parish aforesaid to be sold, and the proceeds divided among his children. Dated London, in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, 29 July, A.D. 1417.

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Roll 146 (3).

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Warde** (HUGH), brewer.—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Andrew at Baynardescastell. To Agnes his wife, by way of her part and for maintenance of their children, &c., he assigns a debt due to him from Richard [Clifford], Bishop of London; also the reversion of a certain tenement in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid, devised to him by John Auston or Austyn, late brewer, by will enrolled.<sup>1</sup> Dated London, 4 October, A.D. 1417.

Roll 146 (11).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Litlyngton** (JOHN), vintner.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Mary Magdalen near Oldefisshstrete. To Alice his wife lands and tenements in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid for life. To Nicholas his son the reversion of his dwelling-house called "le Taverne" in the said parish in tail; remainders to William his son and Johanna his daughter in successive tail; remainder to John Rolf his apprentice. Also to his said children he leaves the reversion of other tenements in the same parish after the decease of his wife, with cross remainders. In case his wife and children should die without issue, the above lands and tenements are to be sold, and a chantry maintained out of the proceeds in the church of S. Mary Magdalen aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his wife, Richard Litlyngton,

<sup>1</sup> *Supra*, p. 392.

**A.D.** and others.<sup>1</sup> John Carpenter, rector of the said church, appointed  
**1418.** one of his executors. Dated London, 1 June, A.D. 1417.

Roll 146 (27).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Baynyng (JOHN)**, woolmonger.—To be buried in S. Dunstan's churchyard near the Tower. To Alice his wife, by way of her share of his movable goods, he leaves fifty pounds sterling, and all hustilments, ornaments, jewels, vessels, and utensils appertaining to his chamber, pantry, kitchen, &c., if so be she will be content therewith. Certain tenements and a wharf, acquired by him and Agnes his former wife, in Petitwales in the parish of All Hallows, to be sold for pious uses. Also to Alice his wife he leaves tenements in Petitwales and in Berewardlane in the same parish for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 24 January, A.D. 1417. Roll 146 (35).

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*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Kent (ADAM DE)**, skinner.—To be buried in the church or churchyard of S. John the Baptist upon Walbroke. Bequest of an annual rent, issuing from certain tenements in the parish of S. John aforesaid, in aid of a chantry in the said parish church, which rent he had jointly acquired with others, who had afterwards released the same to him. Dated London, the last day of May, A.D. 1413.

Roll 147 (6).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**White (THOMAS)**, "tiller."—To be buried in the church of S. Thomas the Martyr called "de Acon," under the marble slab where lie the bodies of Margery, Margaret, and Johanna his [late] wives. To Margery his wife a certain tenement in the parish of

<sup>1</sup> It appears from Newcourt ('Reperitorium,' i. 471) that the lands and tenements here mentioned eventually became the property of the church, and that in course of time they became so neglected and ruinous that the rents of them were insufficient to maintain a chantry priest. They were afterwards repaired by John Carpenter, the rector, as indeed he was bound to do under the terms of the devise, for which the Bishop of London granted him an indulgence for forty days and other spiritual benefits.



S. Bartholomew in the Ward of Bradstrete for life, on condition that she pay to Johanna his daughter, when she shall come to years of discretion or marry, the sum of ten marks; remainder to Friar William Bovyndon, master of the house of S. Thomas aforesaid, and brethren of the same, so that they keep his obit and have his soul in remembrance in manner as directed. Dated London, the last day of March, A.D. 1419. Roll 147 (38).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Turnell (WILLIAM)**, "wexchaundler."—To be buried in the chapel of S. John de Bridlyngton in the church of S. Michael in Wodestrete. The reversion or remainder of his mansion house in Laddellane<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid to be sold by his executors to pay his debts and legacies. His feoffees of lands, tenements, &c., in Bradewell, co. Warwick, are directed to convey a life estate therein to Thomas his brother, the reversion of the same to be sold by his executors for pious and charitable uses. To Cecilia his wife his tenement in the parish of S. Dunstan in le Est in Tower Street for life, on condition that she observe the obit of John Creek, late tailor, and of Johanna, wife of the same, in the church of S. Mary de Abbechurch, with masses, distribution of thirteen quarters of coal<sup>2</sup> to the poor of the parish, &c., as directed. In default the property is to go over to the Master and Wardens of the Tailors and Armourers of Linen Armour of the Fraternity of S. John the Baptist in London, and their successors for ever, upon similar conditions; remainder in default to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary de Abbechurch. Dated London, 22 November, A.D. 1418.

Roll 147 (41).

**Haddede (JOHN)**, grocer.—Bequests to Sir John Wykyngeston, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Pancras, in aid of maintaining the church clock (*Orlogii*) and for keeping

<sup>1</sup> Lad Lane or Ladle Lane near the Wood Street Compter.

<sup>2</sup> The testator was executor of John Creek, who, according to a report made on the charities of the parish of S. Mary Abchurch by Mr. Hare in 1860, left property by will in 1418 for providing thirteen quarters of coal for the poor of the parish. The report further states

that the Merchant Tailors' Company distribute yearly forty-five sacks of coal to the poor of the parish, which he apprehends to be under Creek's Gift (Report Royal City Paroch. Charities Com., 1880, vol. iii. p. 238). There is no specific mention of gifts of coal in Creek's will as enrolled in the Husting (*supra*, p. 403).

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his obit. All his tenements in London and the suburbs, charged with the above bequests, are to remain in the hands of his executors for the space of two years in order to carry out his will, and afterwards to remain to his right heirs between him and Thomasia his wife lawfully begotten; remainder to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London and their successors, for the relief of poor freemen on the occasion of assessments for taxes and talliages, &c. His property at Calais to be sold for pious uses and for repair of roads, and for the soldiers at Calais. His feoffees of lands and tenements in co. Middlesex are directed to convey a life estate therein to his aforesaid wife; remainder to his right heirs as aforesaid. In default of such heirs he devises his manor called "Aschewys" or "Myle ende," in the parish of Stebenhythe and S. Mary Matfelon,<sup>1</sup> to John Pecche in tail, and another manor called "Cobammes" in the aforesaid parish to Giles Argentem in tail. Dated 1 January, A.D. 1405.

Roll 147 (43).

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Speleman** (STEPHEN), mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael de Quenehithe. Bequests to the said church and chaplains therein. Certain tenements and rents in the parishes of S. Michael aforesaid and S. Vedast in Chepe to be sold by his executors. A brewery called "le Cok on the hoop" in the said parish of S. Michael to be also sold, and the proceeds devoted to the marriage portions of the poor, repair of highways and bridges, and other pious and charitable uses. His feoffees are directed to give a good estate in a certain tenement and wharf in Thamistrete in the parish of S. Dunstan Est, and in houses and shops in the parish of S. Dionisius de Bakchirche, to his executors or their nominees, in order that the same may be sold to pay his debts and legacies, the residue of the proceeds being devoted to the health of his soul, the souls of Johanna his late wife and others. Also to the rector and churchwardens of the church of

<sup>1</sup> The great manor of Stepney, originally belonging to S. Paul's Cathedral, comprised at least seven different modern parishes and innumerable smaller ecclesiastical divisions. It is

here joined with S. Mary Matfelon, the name of an ancient church which afterwards became the district church of Whitechapel (Loftie's 'Hist. of London,' ii. 148-9).

S. Michael aforesaid his brewery called "le Pye on the hoop" with appurtenances in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, on condition they maintain a chantry in the said church as directed. In default the same to go to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City of London, on condition they maintain a chantry in the Guildhall Chapel. His feoffees of lands, tenements, and rents in the parishes of Maldon and Wathampstede in the counties of Bedford and Hertford are to sell the same, the proceeds being administered by his executors. To John Speleman his kinsman his lands and tenements in Totham,<sup>1</sup> co. Essex. Dated London, 14 August, A.D. 1419.

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*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

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**Fastolf** (JOHANNA), widow.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Bothawe near the sepulchre of Simon Dolsaly her grandfather. Certain tenements in an alley called "Fastolf Aley" in the parish of S. Stephen in Colmanstrete, near an alley called "Mille Aley," and her brewery called "le George," to be sold by her executors and the proceeds distributed in charity. To her executors she leaves specific goods, among which is a diamond ring with the inscription *Vous aime de tout moun coer*, and a piece [of silver] with super-covercle *flat*. Dated 13 September, A.D. 1417.

Roll 147 (60).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Cuthbert, Bishop [20 March].*

**Knyght** (JAMES), brewer.—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Dionisins Bakchirche. To Alice his wife a tenement called "le Chequer on the hoop," with houses, shops, &c., in Fanchirchestrete in the parish of S. Dionisius aforesaid, for life; remainder to John, Henry, and James his sons in equal parts. The reversion of certain houses and shops to be sold, and twenty marks of the proceeds to go to Katherine and Margaret his daughters respectively. Dated London, 18 February, A.D. 1417.

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*Monday the Feast of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Wollebergh** (NICHOLAS), fishmonger.—To be buried in the

<sup>1</sup> Probably Tottenham in Middlesex is here meant.

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church of S. Nicholas Coldabbey near Oldefisshstret where lie the bodies of his children. To Margaret his wife the reversion of a tenement in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid, after the death of Alice his mother, wife of John Wollebergh, to hold the same for life; remainder to Cecilia his daughter in tail; remainder to Isabella, wife of John Whitwell, for life; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds to be devoted to pious and charitable uses for the good of his soul, the souls of his father, mother, children, and others. Also to his said wife he leaves one half of the residue of his movable goods by way of her share, and the other half to be devoted to pious uses. Dated London, the last day of October, A.D. 1407.—His feoffees in trust of certain rents issuing from the above tenement are directed to make a life estate therein to his aforesaid wife, so that she give security to his executors for the due observance of his obit in the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid as directed. Further his will is that his feoffees aforesaid release their claim to the above rents to some one individual who in his turn shall leave the same by will<sup>1</sup> to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Nicholas for keeping the testator's obit in manner specified. Also his feoffees of lands and tenements in the vills and fields of Notefeld,<sup>2</sup> Borstowe,<sup>3</sup> and Horlegh,<sup>4</sup> co. Surrey, are to make a good life estate in the same to Alice his mother, with remainder to his wife, his daughter, and to Isabella Whitwell. His feoffees of lands and tenements in Katerham, co. Surrey, to convey the same to Margaret his wife for life; remainder over. His lands and tenements in the vill of Chelmesford to be sold, and two thirds of the proceeds devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the church of Chelmesford. His manor of Westbury, co. Bucks, to be also sold, and a portion of the proceeds devoted to repair of roads and other works of charity. Roll 148 (1).

**Body (JOHN),** upholder.<sup>5</sup>—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Michael upon Cornhill. To Agnes his wife for life all his tenements in the street and parish of S. Mary Magdalene

<sup>1</sup> Citizens of London might *devise* in mortmain. See Introd., Part I., p. xxxvii.

<sup>2</sup> Nutfield.

<sup>3</sup> Burstow.

<sup>4</sup> Horley.

<sup>5</sup> Upholsterer, or dealer in second-hand clothes and furniture. Fr. *frippier* = fripperer or pheliper.

de Milkestrete, which he inherited from Johanna Body his late mother, daughter of Thomas Coterell, late mercer; remainder to Elena his daughter in tail; remainder to the rectors and churchwardens of the respective churches of S. Michael aforesaid and S. Pancras in Westchepe, on condition they keep his obit, dispose of the proceeds among the poor of the respective parishes, and perform all other conditions attaching to the devise. Dated London, 1 September, A.D. 1420.<sup>1</sup>

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

**Cosham (JOHN)**, mercer.—To be buried as directed in another testament. To the vicar and churchwardens of the church of S. Laurence in Old Jewry certain tenements in the parish of S. Mary le Bow in Westchepe for the maintenance of chantries in the church of S. Laurence aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his late wife, Roger de Glendon, Alice, wife of the same, William Pountfret, Alice, wife of the same, and others, and the residue of the issues and profits of the said tenements to be devoted to the maintenance of the fabric, ornaments, &c., of the said church. In default the property is to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London to carry out the terms of his will. Dated London, 10 February, A.D. 1419.

Roll 148 (7).

*Monday next after the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul [29 June].*

**Bulstrode (JOHN)**, goldsmith.—To be buried in the common churchyard of S. Paul's before the high cross where the Gospels are wont to be preached. To John his son all his instruments appertaining to his art of goldsmithery called "tool,"<sup>2</sup> and all his body armour; also a tenement in Westchepe in the parish of S. Matthew de Frydaystrete, saving the dower of Laurencia his wife, to hold in tail; remainder to Johanna, Matilda, Isabella, and Roberga his daughters in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds devoted to the maintenance of chantries,

<sup>1</sup> There must be some mistake either in the date of the will or of its enrolment.

leaves to his apprentice all the tools (*totum tole*) of his shop, with the exception of certain balances.

<sup>2</sup> Cf. *supra*, p. 317, where a goldsmith

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relief of the sick, repair of perilous highways, and other pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 15 July, A.D. 1417.

Roll 148 (19).

*Monday next after the F. of Translation of S. Thomas [7 July].*

**Megre (JOHN)**, "peautrer."—To be buried in the church or churchyard of S. Mary Wolnoth in Lumbardestrete. To Emma his wife all his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Mary aforesaid and S. Mary de Wolchirchewawe for life, subject to charges for chantries in the church of S. Mary Wolnoth; remainder to Margaret and Lucy his daughters and the heirs of their respective bodies, with cross remainders; further remainder to John Nicholl junior, his servant, in tail, and to Sir William Godeswayn, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of S. Mary Wolnoth and their successors, for maintenance of chantries for the good of his soul, observance of his obit, relief of the poor, &c., as directed. In default the property is to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London for like purposes. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves, by way of dower and of her share of his movable goods and chattels, all his ustilments, utensils, and other necessities appertaining to his dwelling-house. To Margaret his daughter, Johanna and Beatrix her daughters; to Lucy his daughter, William and John her sons and Matilda her daughter, he leaves divers sums of money. Emma his wife to have one half of the residue of his goods and chattels after discharge of liabilities, and the other half to be devoted to the celebration of masses, relief of the poor in the City of London and in the county of Cornwall, the repair of highways, and other works of charity. Dated London, 6 August, A.D. 1419.

Roll 148 (26).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Edmund, K. and M. [20 Nov.].*

**Otes (WILLIAM)**, mercer.—To John Rothewell, the rector, and parishioners of the church of S. Mildred in the Poultry and their successors, a parcel of land lying within the gate of the Scaldyng-hous, otherwise called "Scaldyngwyk,"<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Mildred, and extending to the ditch called "Walbrookdyk," for the purpose

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 55.

of a churchyard, so that the rector and chaplains of the said church and their successors have the testator's soul, the souls of Johanna his wife and others, in remembrance at mass and divine service. If the land be used for any other purpose the devise to be void. Dated London, 5 September, A.D. 1420.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

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**Asshurst** (THOMAS), "wodemonger."—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Andrew at Baynardescastell near the place where lies the body of Nicholas Clerk, late parish clerk of the said church. Devise of a tenement in the parish of S. James de Garlikheth in aid of a chantry in the church of S. Andrew aforesaid for the souls of John Parant, esquire, Clemencia, late wife of the same, and others. To Elizabeth his wife two mansions in the street of Fanchirche in the parish of S. Mary de Fanchirche, on condition that she forego her claim of dower of the aforesaid tenement in the parish of S. James; otherwise the same to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 25 August, A.D. 1420.

Roll 148 (45).

**Fitz Hugh** (WILLIAM), goldsmith.—His tenement in the lane called "Mynchonlane" in the parish of S. Dunstan near the Tower to be sold, Robert fitz Robert, junior, being preferred as purchaser, and one moiety of the proceeds to go to Elena his wife. Also to his said wife his tenement in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermariechirche for life; remainder to John fitz Robert his kinsman in tail; remainder to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary Wolnoth in Lumbardstrete in trust for sale; ten marks of the proceeds to be to the use of the fabric of the body of the said church, and the residue to be devoted to the relief of his poor relations and poor householders of good character within the City, the celebration of masses, &c. Dated London, 5 August, A.D. 1420.

Roll 148 (49).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

**Rede** (HENRY), armourer.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "Pardonchirchew," where his brother Matthew

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Rede lies buried. His movable goods and chattels, after discharge of liabilities, to be divided into two equal parts, whereof one part he leaves to Katherine his wife. To Sir John Batell, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of S. Augustine at S. Paul's Gate, he leaves a tenement in Westchepe in the parish of S. Mary Magdalene in Milkstrete, near a tenement called "le Brokenselde," and other tenements in the high street of Oldechaunge, on condition that they maintain a chantry in the church of S. Augustine aforesaid, observe his obit, and perform other duties as directed. In default the property to go over to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City and their successors as Wardens of London Bridge for like purposes. Also to Katherine his wife all his tenements in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate for life, provided she forego her dower of the before-mentioned tenements; remainder to Thomas Blount de Bristol his brother; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Bequests to the church of S. Augustine and ministers thereof, as well as for providing bells for the belfry, and ornamenting the ceiling of the nave of the church in a handsome manner to the glory of God, on condition that the rector shall do the same for the chancel. To Thomas Blount his brother silver pots and cups called "standyngcuppes" of the newest pattern, with covercles, and four flat pieces (*planas pecias*) of silver without covercles. Dated London, 6 September, A.D. 1420.

Roll 148 (55).

**Chesterford** (ROBERT), cordwainer.—To be buried in the church of S. Laurence Pountney. To Johanna his wife all his lands, tenements, and rents in the parish of S. Laurence for life, charged with the observance of his obit in the said parish church; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 19 December, A.D. 1420.

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*Monday the Feast of S. John ante portam Latinam* [6 May<sup>1</sup>].

**Storme** (RICHARD).—To be buried in the church of S. Clement near Estchep, near the grave of Alice his late wife. To Johanna his wife a tenement opposite London Wall in the parish of S. Stephen in Colmanstrete, and tenements called "le harp on

<sup>1</sup> This membrane is out of place.



the hope " in the lane and parish of S. Clement aforesaid, for life ; remainder to Richard, Alice, and John his children in several tail, with cross remainders ; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Also to his aforesaid children he leaves the reversion of a tenement called " le highous and le Glene on the hoop " in the parish of S. Stephen aforesaid, and of another tenement in the lane and parish of S. Clement aforesaid, with similar remainders. His wife charged with the observance of his obit ; and a chantry to be maintained in the church of S. Clement aforesaid for one year next after his decease. Dated 9 November, A.D. 1419. Roll 148 (59).

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*Monday the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

**Langhorne** (ALICE, relict of JOHN, "brasiere").—To be buried in the church of S. Michael upon Cornhill under the marble slab where lies her late husband. Her lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Laurence in the Jewry, S. Andrew upon Cornhill, and S. Katherine in the churchyard of Crichirche to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 4 February, A.D. 1420. Roll 149 (13).

**Langhorne** (ALICE, relict of JOHN, "brasiere").—To be buried in the church of S. Michael upon Cornhill, to the rector and churchwardens of which church she leaves certain lands, tenements, &c., in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, in aid of a chantry founded by her late husband<sup>1</sup> for the good of his soul, the souls of Petronilla his former wife and others ; also for keeping her obit, and the obit of her said husband, &c., as directed. In default the same to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty as Wardens of London Bridge for the maintenance of a chantry in the chapel upon the bridge. Dated London, 20 March, A.D. 1420. Roll 149 (14).

*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

**Thorp** (JOHN), Chandler.—To be buried in the church of

<sup>1</sup> By will enrolled *supra*, p. 363.

**A.D.** S. Peter upon Cornhull near Nicholas his late son. Certain tene-  
**1421.** ments which he and Beatrix his late wife formerly acquired in  
 the parish of S. Andrew upon Cornhull to be sold for pious and  
 charitable uses. Dated London, 4 April, A.D. 1421.

Roll 149 (32).

**Beamond (JOHN)**, chandler.—To be buried in the chancel of  
 the church of S. Benedict de Graschirche. Pecuniary bequests  
 to Johanna his kinswoman and John her brother. To Margaret  
 his wife, by way of her share of his goods, he leaves two hundred  
 pounds, and one third of his hustilments, jewels, &c., appertaining  
 to his hall, chamber, pantry, and kitchen; also a tenement called  
 “le hors on the hoop” in the parish of S. Benedict aforesaid, and  
 a moiety of lands and tenements called “Bowels” in the parish  
 of Southwelde, co. Essex, held under the Prior and Convent of  
 Blakamore, for life. To Juliana his daughter, wife of William  
 Middilton, grocer, he leaves the other moiety of the same for life.  
 After the decease of his said wife and daughter, the above property  
 to be sold for his soul’s health. Also to his five sons and daughters  
 aforesaid<sup>1</sup> he leaves two thirds of his hustilments, jewels, &c.,  
 mentioned above. To John Wollaston his servant certain tene-  
 ments in the parish of S. Martin Otewich for life; remainder to  
 John and Johanna aforesaid. Dated London, 26 March, A.D. 1416.

Roll 149 (35).

**Beamond (JOHN)**, chandler.—Testament touching his free  
 tenements, lands, and rents. To be buried in the chancel of the  
 church of S. Benedict de Graschirche. To Margaret his wife a  
 tenement in Graschirchestrete in the parish of S. Benedict for life,  
 so that she content herself with the same and with the legacies  
 made to her in his other testament touching his movables;  
 remainder to Richard and Adam his sons in successive tail;  
 remainder to Juliana, Dionisia, and Margaret his daughters, as  
 joint tenants in tail; remainder to John Beamond, Richard  
 Beamond, and Johanna Beamond his kinsfolk in tail; remainder  
 in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. To Adam his son a  
 tenement and wharf in the parish of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate  
 and a shop in Briggestrete in tail; remainders over. His feoffees

<sup>1</sup> No son or daughter is mentioned | daughter Juliana; their names appear  
 in the will as enrolled except his | in the will following.

in trust of property at Chelmeresford are directed to entail the same upon Richard his son immediately the said Richard attains the age of twenty-four years; remainders over. Dated London, 2 April, A.D. 1416. Roll 149 (36).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Maur, Abbot [15 Jan.].*

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**Neel (WILLIAM)**, citizen of Chichester.<sup>1</sup>—To be buried in the cathedral church of Chichester. To the Master and Brethren of the Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr in Southwerk he leaves certain rents in Thamisestrete in the parish of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate, charged with the maintenance of two lamps. To John Hully of Chichester, junior, houses in Bredstrete, opposite the tavern called “le Ravon,” in the parish of S. Nicholas Olof. To Thomas Pacchyng of Chichester a tenement in Thamisestre (*sic*) in the parish of S. Martin Orgar for life; remainder in trust for pious and charitable uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his late wife, formerly wife of John Waleworth, vintner, and others. Dated the Vigil of S. Laurence [10 Aug.], A.D. 1418.

Roll 149 (45).

**Whyteman (WILLIAM)**, “joynour.”—To Agnes his wife his tenement in Cordewanerstrete in the parish of S. James de Garlekhithe for a term of thirty years; remainder to William Huntynghdon, rector of the church of S. James aforesaid, and the masters of the Fraternity of S. James aforesaid, and their successors, to the use and behoof of the said fraternity. Dated London, 16 December, A.D. 1419.

Roll 149 (46).

*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

**Middelton (WILLIAM)**, grocer.—To be buried in the parish church or churchyard of S. Elena near Bisshopesgate. To Juliana his wife lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Margaret in Briggestrete and S. Michael near Crokedlane for life, charged with due observance of his obit; remainder to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City. To John his bastard son he leaves tenements in Bogerowe in the parish of S. Antonin for life, with similar remainder on condition the said Mayor, &c., pay certain

<sup>1</sup> In the record of probate he is called late citizen and vintner of London.

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sums of money out of the profits of the same to the Prioress and Convent of S. Elena aforesaid for keeping his obit, distribute other sums among the sick, poor, and insane within the Hospital of S. Mary de Bedlem, the poor lepers in the hospitals of S. Giles without Holbourne, *le loke* near Suthwerk, and Hakeney, and pay ten pounds to the Warden and Commonalty for the maintenance of Rochester Bridge in co. Kent, and twenty pounds to poor almsfolk and others in manner as directed. In default the whole of the property to be sold by the rectors of the churches of S. Margaret and S. Michael aforesaid, and the proceeds devoted to the maintenance of Rochester Bridge and of other bridges throughout the country where most necessary, the relief of the poor, and other charitable objects. To Richard, son of John Beamond, "chaundeler," he leaves shops in the parish of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate in tail; remainder to Juliana, Dionisia, and Margaret, daughters of John Beamond aforesaid, as tenants in common with cross remainders; ultimate remainder in trust for sale for charitable uses. Dated London, 20 November, A.D. 1419.

Roll 149 (53).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Merlawe** (RICHARD), "iremonger."—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Michael de Qwenehith. To Agnes his wife a sum of money, and all utensils and necessities appertaining to his hall, chamber, parlour, butlery, pantry, and kitchen, &c., by way of her share of his movable goods, on condition that she content herself therewith; also his tenements in the parishes of S. Michael aforesaid, S. Mildred in the Poultry, S. Ethelburga within Bishopsgate, and S. Brigid in Fletestrete for life; remainder to Thomas his son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. To William Wright, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael aforesaid, he leaves a certain tenement situate in the parish, provided they maintain a chantry in the said church at the altar of S. Katherine for the good of his soul in manner directed. In default the said tenement to go over to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City of London, on condition that they maintain a chantry in the chapel of the Guildhall. The residue of his goods to be devoted to charitable

uses in London as well as at Merlawe,<sup>1</sup> his native place. Dated London, 18 September, A.D. 1420.

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## ANNO 10 HENRY V.

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*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Duk** (THOMAS), skinner.—To be buried in S. Katherine's Chapel, which he had lately rebuilt, in the church of S. Dunstan West in Fletestret. To Sir John Walshford, perpetual vicar of the said church, and churchwardens of the same, certain rents in the parish of S. Dunstan aforesaid for the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes his wife and others, as directed. In default the said rents to go over to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Brigid in Fletestret for the maintenance of a chantry in the said church of S. Brigid. To John Duk his son tenements called "le Tabard on the hoop," "le Crane on the hop," "le Newe Taverne," and others in the parishes of S. Brigid and S. Dunstan and elsewhere in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 15 April, A.D. 1411.

Roll 150 (8).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Claveryng** (JOHN), draper.—To be buried near the grave of Juliana his mother in the church of S. Christopher in the Ward of "Brastrete." To Richard Claidich the reversion of certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Christopher in the wards of Cornhill and Bradstrete for the sum of one hundred and twenty pounds, if he be willing to pay that sum; otherwise it is to be sold during the lifetime of Margaret his wife, and twenty pounds sterling or more to be devoted to the purchase of an entire vestment of black camlet, with amices, tunicles, and albs, with apparel for deacon and sub-deacon, and also three choir copes of the same suit for service in the said church of S. Christopher; the vestment, &c., to be embroidered with the "scochon," *Orate pro animabus Johannis Claveryng filii Johannis Claveryng filii Rogeri Claveryng et antecessorum suorum et omnium eorum bene-*

<sup>1</sup> Great Marlow, co. Bucks.

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*factorum.* The residue of the proceeds to be devoted to the relief of prisoners for debt, bestowal of marriage portions, repair of roads, &c. His executors directed to find Agnes Forster in food, clothing, and shelter for life. Dated London, 24 December, A.D. 1421.

By codicil he leaves to Matilda Legge forty shillings, a house for her to live in, and a leasehold tenement in the parish of S. Christopher aforesaid. Richard Claidich to be allowed to have the reversion before mentioned for one hundred pounds sterling, instead of one hundred and twenty as stated in his will. Dated 8 January, A.D. 1421. Roll 150 (11).

**Est (WILLIAM).**—To be buried according to directions contained in another testament. To Alice his wife for life lands and tenements in the parish of S. Dionisius in the Ward of Langebourne, provided that she keep the same in good repair and maintain a chantry in the church of S. Olave in Southwerk near London Bridge; in default of which the property is to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London and their successors to the use of London Bridge, on condition that the Wardens of the said bridge be allowed to administer the estate and that they maintain a chantry as aforesaid. In default the property is to be administered by the Chamberlain of the City for the time being, who is to maintain a chantry in the chapel of the Guildhall and devote the residue of the issues and profits to the maintenance of the conduits of London. His co-tenants of tenements in the parish of S. John Zakary and in the vill and parish of Newenton, co. Surrey, are directed to convey the same to Thomas and William his sons as soon as they come of age, and if they die under age, to Katherine his daughter. A certain tenement in the vill of Croydon to be sold for pious uses. Dated London, 6 September, A.D. 1421. Roll 150 (12).

*Monday the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Est (WILLIAM).**—To be buried in the church of S. Olave near London Bridge. To William the prior and the convent of the church of H. Trinity he leaves certain rents in the parish of S. Swithun in Candelwykstrete. Dated London, 8 September, A.D. 1421. Roll 150 (29).

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**Marchaunt (JOHN)**, late Common Clerk<sup>1</sup> of the City of London.—To be buried in the conventual church of H. Trinity within Algate. To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Margaret de Lothebury an annual quitrent issuing from certain tenements in the parishes of S. Olave in Old Jewry, S. Stephen de Colmanstret, and S. Margaret de Lothbury, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of John le Botoner, Margery and Mabel, wives of the same, and others. To the Prior and Convent of the church of H. Trinity aforesaid he leaves the above tenements so charged, and also the reversion of a tenement at one time belonging to Nicholas his father in the parish of S. Margaret aforesaid, so that the said prior, &c., maintain certain chantries for the good of his soul, the souls of Leticia his wife and others, pay every Friday threepence sterling to poor parishioners of S. Katherine de Crichurch, and duly observe his obit, &c., as directed. In default the property to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City to the use of the Guildhall Chapel, for the maintenance of chantries therein and other pious and charitable uses. John Carpenter<sup>2</sup> appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 18 July, A.D. 1421. Roll 150 (41).

# ANNO 1 HENRY VI.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

**Blakeden (JOHN)**, goldsmith.—To be buried in the church of S. Anne within Aldrichegate, of which he was a parishioner. To Alice his wife all his lands, tenements, &c., in the parish of S. Anne aforesaid, as well as in Westsmethefeld in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate, for life; the reversion of the same to be sold, preference being given to a goldsmith in the sale of his dwelling-house and of his tenements in Westsmethefeld. The proceeds to be divided into four parts: one part to be divided

<sup>1</sup> The ancient designation of Town Clerk.

<sup>2</sup> Succeeded the testator in 1417 as Common Clerk of the City, in which capacity he was frequently called upon to

act as executor of citizens' wills. Best known as the founder of the City of London School, and the compiler of the City's laws and customs in the *Liber Albus*. (See Letter-Book I, fol. 194 b.)

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among the poor of his mistery, a second part to go to poor bed-ridden men and women, a third to poor prisoners, and a fourth part to repair of highways, &c. Dated London, 8 October, A.D. 1422. Roll 151 (32).

*Monday next after F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Whityngton** (RICHARD),<sup>1</sup> Alderman.<sup>2</sup>—To be buried in the church of S. Michael de Paternosterchirche in the Ryole. Directions as to funeral obsequies. *Placebo* and *Dirige* to be said every evening, and a mass of *Requiem* every morning, for a month for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his wife and others. His dwelling-house in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, and all his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Andrew near Castle Baynard, S. Michael in Bassyngeshawe, and S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate, to be sold by his executors, and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses and the fulfilment of this his testament. John Carpenter appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 5 September, A.D. 1421. Roll 151 (42).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Sampson** (THOMAS), butcher.—To be buried in the church of S. Leonard de Estchep. To Florence his wife a tenement in the parish of S. Leonard aforesaid near a tenement called “le Cheker,” and another tenement in Thamisestrete in the parish of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate (of which tenements the testator had been jointly seised with others, who had released the property to him), to hold for life; remainder to Agnes his daughter for life;

<sup>1</sup> The famous Mayor concerning whom so much has been said and written. An accurate and vivid picture of his life and times has been published by Messrs. Besant and Rice, and an account of his charitable gifts in the cause of the poor and sick, as well as in furtherance of religion and education, is also to be found in the chronicle of Richard Grafton; there is, therefore, no necessity to recapitulate here his liberal gifts towards the building of the Guildhall and establishment of its library, as well as to the library of the Grey Friars and other objects. His name is best remembered by the college and alms-

house called “Whittington College,” which his executors founded in the parish of S. Michael Paternosterchurch, an account of which from its first establishment soon after his death down to the abolition of the college in the reign of Edward VI., as well as of the subsequent disposal of its endowment, has been fully set out in a report made by Mr. Hare to the Charity Commissioners in 1861, upon the charity estates of the Mercers' Company. (See Printed Report, Livery Companies' Com., 1884, vol. iv. pp. 39-44.)

<sup>2</sup> Of Broad Street Ward.



remainder to Sir Thomas Riggele, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of S. Leonard aforesaid, charged with keeping his obit and other religious services as directed. The residue of the profits to be devoted to the maintenance of the Fraternity of the Blessed Mary within the aforesaid church, as well as of the fabric and ornaments of the same church. Also to his wife certain leasehold tenements in the parishes of S. Leonard de Estchep and S. Clement near Candelwykstrete, held under the New Hospital of S. Mary without Bisshopesgate, for life; remainder to his daughter. Dated London, 28 April, A.D. 1422.

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### ANNO 2 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after Feast of S. Martin, Bishop, in Yeme [11 Nov.].*

**Lynne** (WILLIAM), grocer.—To Alice his wife his wharf called “Wollewharf,” with houses in the parish of All Hallows de Berkyngchirch; also lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Dunstan in the East, S. Katherine Colmanchirche, and All Hallows de Graschirche, to hold the same for life so long as she remain unmarried; remainders to John and Robert his sons in successive tail; remainder to Margaret, Alice, and Beatrix his daughters and the heirs of their respective bodies; remainder, as to a portion of the above tenements, to Master John Malverne, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Dunstan in the East, on condition that they maintain a perpetual chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of William his father, Sandrissa his mother, and others, and perform certain pious and charitable duties as directed; remainder, in case of default, to the use of the bridge of Rouchestre, co. Kent. Other tenements to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to relief of the poor, repair of highways, &c. Tenements especially mentioned are “le Rose” and “le Hert on the hope” in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid. Dated London, 6 August, A.D. 1421.

Roll 152 (20).

**Weston** (JOHN) de Okham, co. Surrey.—To be buried in the church of S. Martin Orgar near Candelwykstrete. To Richard

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Coton, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of S. Martin aforesaid, he leaves the reversion of certain tenements in the lane and parish of S. Martin Orgar, after the decease of Matilda his wife, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said church and observance of his obit, &c., in manner directed. In default the property to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London in aid of the chaplains of the Guildhall Chapel. Dated London, 4 February, A.D. 1419. Roll 152 (21).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Clement, Pope [23 Nov.].*

**Asshcombe** (ROBERT), senior, "brouderer."—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Alban in Wodestrete under the marble slab where lies the body of Johanna his late wife. His lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Alban aforesaid and S. Mary de Stanynglane to be sold to fulfil his testament and for pious and charitable uses. Bequests of money to Martin Kelom, John Blount, and others. Dated London, 13 May, A.D. 1416.

Roll 152 (27).

**Norton** (JOHN), grocer.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Dunstan in the East where his parents lie buried. To Richard his son his tenement in Bokeleresbury in tail; remainder to John his son in tail; remainder to Margaret his daughter in tail; remainder to Beatrix his wife for life; remainder to Johanna Brightwalton his sister for life; remainder over. Also to John his son a tenement in the parish of S. Bartholomew the Less in the Ward of Bradstrete in tail; remainders over. His wife to enjoy a life interest in his tenement in the parish of S. Andrew upon Cornhill; remainder to his aforesaid daughter. Dated London, 12 May, A.D. 1423.

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*Monday next before Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

**Westyerd**<sup>1</sup> (JOHN), vintner.—Testament touching his lands, tenements, and rents in the City of London and suburbs. To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas at the Shambles within Newgate. To the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's he leaves an annual rent of fourteen marks issuing from a tenement formerly

<sup>1</sup> His will (original?) is preserved | Chapter of S. Paul's (Hist. MSS. Com., among the archives of the Dean and | Ninth Report, Appendix, p. 48a).

called "la Katerine Whele," and now called "la Rose," near Dicereslane otherwise called "le Redye," in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid, a tenement in the parish of S. Bartholomew the Less in the Ward of Bradstrete, a tenement formerly called "le Pye on the hoop," and now called "le George on the hoop," situate in the street called "le Barbycan" in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, and others; so that the said Dean and Chapter maintain a chantry before the altar of the Blessed Virgin in the nave of S. Paul's Church, near the tomb of Sir John Beauchamp,<sup>1</sup> Knt., for the souls of Sir Thomas Stowe,<sup>2</sup> formerly Dean of S. Paul's, and others, and perform other services in manner directed. The aforesaid tenements, subject to the above rent, he leaves to the Prior and Canons of the church of S. Bartholomew near Westmythfeld, on condition they keep the same in good repair; otherwise the property is to go over to the Wardens of the Fraternity or Chantry of the Blessed Mary and S. Giles, founded in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate for the soul of the Lord Richard, formerly King of England, upon like conditions. In default the aforesaid tenements are to remain to the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's for the maintenance of a chantry as aforesaid. Dated London, 15 September, A.D. 1423.

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Roll 152 (42).

**Westyerd** (JOHN), vintner.—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas at the Shambles. His tenement called "le Papyngeday," in the street called "le Morestrete" in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, to be sold by his executors with the assent of John Fray,<sup>3</sup> Recorder of the City, and a chantry to be maintained out of the proceeds in the said church of S. Nicholas for the good of his soul, the souls of Juliana his late wife and others. To the Wardens of the Fraternity or Chantry of the Blessed Mary and S. Giles, founded in the church of S. Giles aforesaid for the soul of the late King Richard, he leaves certain shops and houses in Goswelletret in the parish of S. Botolph without Alderichigate, in aid of the said fraternity or chantry, so that the chaplains and

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 188.

<sup>2</sup> Elected Dean in October, 1400, and died probably about five years afterwards. Newcourt mentions this foundation of a chantry by the testator ("Repertorium," p. 43).

<sup>3</sup> Afterwards appointed a Baron, and Lord Chief Baron, of the Exchequer. His will is enrolled *infra*, Hust. Roll 206 (5).

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brethren of the same pray especially for his soul, the souls of John Page,<sup>1</sup> late servant of the cathedral church of S. Paul, and others. To Alice Westyerd his kinswoman lands and tenements in Secollane in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newegate. Dated London, 15 September, A.D. 1423. Roll 152 (43).

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### ANNO 3 HENRY VI.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

Stokeslee (WILLIAM), "stokfisshmongere." — Bequest to the rector of the church of S. Magnus near London Bridge for oblations forgotten. To Sarah his wife his tenements in the parishes of S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate and S. Michael de Cornhull for life so long as she remain unmarried; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, 16 March, A.D. 1399.

Roll 153 (10).

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*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

Elyngham (JOHN), senior, "stokfisshmongere." — To be buried in the church of S. Michael de Crokedlane. Certain tenements jointly held by the testator and Alice his wife in an alley called "Lennesaley," and elsewhere in the parish of S. Michael afore-said, to be sold after the decease of his said wife (or the reversion to be sold during her lifetime), and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 4 October, A.D. 1424.

Roll 153 (28).

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*Monday next after the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul [29 June].*

Hope (WILLIAM), goldsmith. — To be buried before the cross in the great churchyard of S. Paul's. To William Byngham, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of S. John Zakary, he

<sup>1</sup> Among the archives of S. Paul's Cathedral there is an agreement, entered into A.D. 1369, between the Dean and Chapter, of the one part, and Roger Fraunkeleyn and John Page, carpenters, of the other part, for the erection of certain houses near S. Paul's bakehouse, with specifications in detail; and also a demise by the Dean and Chapter to

John Page, carpenter, of a shop with solar above towards the eastern part of the churchyard, dated A.D. 1368-9 (Hist. MSS. Com., Ninth Report, Appendix, pp. 50 a, 51 a). Of the identity of John Page, carpenter, with John Page, late servant of the cathedral, there can be little doubt.

leaves certain shops, &c., in Godronlane in the parish of S. John Zakary (which he formerly acquired jointly with others, who released the same to him), to hold to the said rector, &c., to the use of the fabric and ornaments of the said church in return for their prayers. To the Prior and Chapter of Christchurch, Canterbury, an annual quitrent issuing from tenements in the parish of S. Michael de Bassyngeshawe. To Dame Elizabeth Fraunceys for her trouble in executing his testament he leaves a small *tablet de cypres*,<sup>1</sup> garnished with gold. Dated London, 28 May, A.D. 1425.

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Roll 153 (73).

**Fitz Robert** (ROBERT), grocer.—To the Abbot and Convent of the Monastery of S. Mary of Graces near the Tower he leaves all his lands and tenements at the corner of Douegate in the parish of All Hallows at the Hay in Themsestrete, for celebrating divine service within the said monastery for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his late wife and others; also an annual rent of ten shillings issuing from tenements in the lane called “Hey-wharflane,” in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, by way of a pittance<sup>2</sup> to be expended upon the refectory of the monks at his obit. To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary de Aldermarchirche certain rents of tenements and of a wharf called “Fressshwharf,” in the parish of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate, so that they maintain a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his late wife and others. Also to the said rector, &c., certain other rents issuing from mesuages in the same lane and parish, to be expended on observance of his obit, &c., as directed. To Robert Fitz Robert junior, his son, he leaves the residue of his lands and tenements. Dated London, 26 December, 1 Henry VI. [A.D. 1422].

Roll 153 (74).

**Askham** (WILLIAM), Alderman.<sup>3</sup>—To be buried in the church of S. Michael de Crokedlane in the place where lies the body of John Lovekyn. His feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in Thamisestrete in the parish of S. Dunstan near the Tower are directed to convey a life estate in the same to Matilda his wife; the reversion of the same to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to

<sup>1</sup> William de Grantham leaves a small forcer of *cipres* (Part I. p. 649).

<sup>2</sup> Money to be expended on some delicacy or extra allowance of food for the monks.

<sup>3</sup> Of what ward uncertain,

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pious and charitable uses. His executors to sell, two years after his decease, the tenement wherein he dwelt in Thamisestrete in the parish of S. Michael de Crokedlane, his feoffees in trust making a good estate therein to the purchaser; eight hundred marks of the proceeds to be devoted to the good of his soul, the souls of John Lovekyn and others. Similarly his lands and tenements in Candelwykstrete in the parish of S. Mary de Bothehawe and in Wodestrete in the parish of S. Alban, as also his estate in the manor of Walleworth, co. Surrey, to be sold for pious and charitable uses. John Preston, Recorder of the City, appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 24 November, A.D. 1413.

Roll 153 (75).

NOTE.—The above will was produced in Chancery on behalf of the defendant in Attorney-General *v.* Fishmongers' Company.

## ANNO 4 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Cherche<sup>1</sup>** (JOHN), grocer.—To the vicar of the church of All Saints, Edelmeton, co. Middlesex, he leaves rents in the parishes of All Hallows the Less upon the Cellars in Thamisestret, S. Laurence in the Jewry, and S. Mary Magdalen de Milkestret, on condition that he maintain two chantries in the church of All Hallows aforesaid, in a certain chapel erected by Peter Fanelour, for the souls of the said Peter, Adam Fraunceys, and others; that they also duly observe the obit of the said Adam, and perform other religious services as directed. In default the rents to go over to the Abbot of the Monastery of Walden in co. Essex, rector of the said church of Edelmeton,<sup>2</sup> and to the convent of the same, for similar purposes; and in case of default the rents to

<sup>1</sup> His will is given in abstract by Mr. Maxwell Lyte in his Calendar of the Archives of S. Paul's Cath. (Hist. MSS. Com., Ninth Report, Appendix, p. 48 a).

<sup>2</sup> The rectory of the church of All Saints, Edmonton (or "Edelmeton," as it usually appears in ancient records), was given by Geoffrey de Mandeville, Earl of Essex, to the monastery of Walden (Little Walden or Saffron Walden),

co. Essex, founded by him A.D. 1136. The church in process of time came to be served by a vicar. At the suppression of the monastery the king granted this rectory and parish church to Thomas, Lord Audley; it was afterwards (viz., anno 36 Henry VIII.) granted to the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's, who continue to be patrons of it at the present day.

remain to the Bishop of London for carrying out the terms of his will. Dated London, 20 May, A.D. 1418. Roll 154 (6).

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*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

**Hanhampstede (JOHN).**—His tenements in the parish of S. Michael de Bassyngeshawe to be sold by his executors and the proceeds distributed as directed. To Petronilla his wife twenty pounds, and rents in the parish of S. John upon Walbrok for life; remainder to Alice his sister, wife of William atte Welle, brewer, in tail; remainder to pious and charitable uses. The reversion of certain tenements held for life by John Arderne, esquire, in the parish of S. Mary Aldermarichurch, to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Dated 4 May, A.D. 1424. Roll 154 (12).

**George (RICHARD), goldsmith.**—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard called "Pardonchirchew." To Matilda his wife all his lands, tenements, &c., in the parish of S. Leonard in S. Vedast Lane and within the Hospital of S. Bartholomew in Westmythfeld for life, the reversion of the same being sold immediately after his death for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 15 May, A.D. 1425. Roll 154 (13).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

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**Sudbury (JOHN), grocer.**—To Dionisia his wife, by way of her share of his goods, he leaves forty pounds of current money (*usualis monete*); also certain tenements in the parish of S. Leonard de Estchepe for life, so long as she remain unmarried and well conducted and bring up his children becomingly; remainders to William, John, and Robert his sons in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. To the Master of the College of S. Gregory at Sudbury<sup>1</sup> and brethren of the same he leaves the reversion of a certain tenement for the maintenance of a chantry in the said college. Also to Dionisia his wife his leasehold tenement in the parish of S. Leonard afore-

<sup>1</sup> Co. Suffolk. The parochial church was purchased in 1374 of the nuns of Eaton, co. Warwick, by Simon de Sudbury, then Bishop of London, and John his brother (the testator?), who in the following year made it collegiate, and founded a college for six secular priests on the spot where their father's house stood (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.,' p. 509).

A.D. 1425-6 said; remainder to Robert his son. Dated London, 6 May, A.D. 1425. Roll 154 (32).

A.D. 1426. *Monday next after the Feast of S. Augustine, Bishop [5 May].*

**Broker** (NICHOLAS), "copersmyth."—To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Benedict West near Pauleswharf he leaves a certain tenement in the parish of S. Benedict aforesaid (which he formerly acquired jointly with others, who had quit-claimed the same to him), in aid of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Henry atte Swan and others. Dated London, 8 January, A.D. 1424. Roll 154 (49).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Wetherby** (HUGH), goldsmith.—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. John Zakary. To the Wardens of the Mistery of Goldsmiths of London and commonalty of the same he leaves a certain garden called "Jewengardyn," with a dovecot, houses, and shops in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, for the maintenance of a chantry for the souls of Drugo Barantyn,<sup>1</sup> Margery, late wife of the same, Nicholas Twyford, Knt., and others, at the altar of S. Dunstan in the church of S. John aforesaid, so that the said wardens observe the obit of the aforesaid Drugo with *Placebo* and *Dirige*, tolling of bells, &c., as directed. In default the property to go over to the Mayor and Citizens of London and Wardens of the City Bridge, for carrying out the terms of his will. Dated London, 1 April, 10 Henry V., A.D. 1402<sup>2</sup> (*sic*). Roll 154 (60).

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#### ANNO 5 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

**Haddon** (JOHN), draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Brigid in Fletestrete, of which he was a parishioner. His dwelling-house situate near the road leading to the hostel of the

<sup>1</sup> He gave, says Stow, fair lands to the Goldsmiths, and dwelt close by their Hall, to which he built a gallery across the street, whereby he might go from one to the other. The same chronicler further states that he was buried in the church of S. John Zachary, as was also Christian his (second) wife, 1427 ('Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 114). Stryke's edition gives the date also of Drugo's death, viz., 1415.

<sup>2</sup> Mistake for A.D. 1422.



Abbot of Wynchecombe by Fletewharf in the parish of S. Brigid to be sold, Johanna Hall being preferred as purchaser. The proceeds to be devoted to discharge of debts, pious uses, &c. Robert his brother appointed one of his executors. Dated the morrow of the Annunciation of V. Mary [25 March], A.D. 1426.

Roll 155 (24).

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*Monday next before F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

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**Weston** (JOHN), merchant.<sup>1</sup>—To be buried in the church of S. Mary atte Hyll near Billyngesgate. To the rector and churchwardens of the said church he leaves the reversion of a certain tenement<sup>2</sup> within the parish after the decease of Johanna his wife, the profits of the same to be devoted to the maintenance of a chantry, the observance of his obit, maintenance of church fabric, &c., as directed. In default the property to go over to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City of London to the use of London Bridge, for the maintenance of a chantry in the chapel of the said bridge; and again in default, to the Master and Brethren of the Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr in Suthwerk for like purpose in the church of the said hospital. Dated London, 18 July, A.D. 1407.

Roll 155 (52).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Cornewaill** (MARGARET, relict of BENEDICT, draper).—To the Prior and Convent of the House of the Salutation of the Mother of God of the Carthusian Order near London she leaves lands and tenements in the parish of S. Benedict in Langbourne Ward, so that they observe her obit as directed. To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary de Wolchirch a certain shop near the tenement called "le Cok on the hop," in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid, in aid of a chantry and for the repair of the nave of the church, maintenance of its ornaments, &c. In default the same to remain to the Mayor and Commonalty and Chamberlain of the Guildhall of the City of London in trust to carry out the terms of her will. Other tenements, comprising a

<sup>1</sup> *Mercator*: described as mercer in an account of the parish of S. Mary at Hill (privately printed, 1878). Indi-

viduals well known to have been grocers are also sometimes styled *mercatores*.

<sup>2</sup> Said to have been confiscated 1518.

A.D. 1427. brewery called "le Swan on the hop" in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid, to be sold for pious uses for the good of her soul, the souls of the aforesaid Benedict and of John Curteys her former husband. Dated London, 14 October, A.D. 1425.

Roll 155 (70).

**Tristour** (WILLIAM), saddler.—To Sir John Hale, the rector, churchwardens and other parishioners of the church of All Hallows de Graschirche, certain lands and tenements in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid for the maintenance of a chantry, repair and maintenance of fabric and ornaments of the said church, &c., in manner directed. Dated London, 14 April, A.D. 1425.

Roll 155 (71).

**Rote** (IDONIA, widow of JOHN, late citizen and Sheriff<sup>1</sup> of London).—To be buried in All Saints' Chapel in the church of S. Bartholomew near Westsmythfeld. To the prior and canons of the said church she leaves a certain tenement in the parish of S. Bartholomew, on condition they maintain a chantry in the aforesaid chapel founded by the venerable Father in Christ, Roger Walden, late Bishop of London, for the good of the soul of the said bishop, the souls of the aforesaid John Rote and of John Walden, esquire, her former husband. In default the property to go over to the minister of the house and church of H. Trinity at Houndeslowe, co. Middlesex. Dated 18 February, A.D. 1420.

Roll 155 (72).

**Chichele** (WILLIAM), grocer.—To be buried in the parish church of Higham Ferers, near the place where Thomas his father lies buried. To Beatrix his wife a tenement formerly called "le Burgate," and now called "le Castell on the hoop," with houses, shops, &c., in the parish of S. Margaret de Fridaystrete, for life; remainder to the Master of the College of S. Mary and S. Edward of Heigham Ferers,<sup>2</sup> and chaplain of the same, in aid of the said college, its chaplains and clerks, so that the said master and chaplains pray for his soul, the souls of his said wife, Thomas his father, Agnes his mother, John and Cristina his wife's parents, and others, observe his obit as directed, and place his name and

<sup>1</sup> John Rote or Roote served as Sheriff in 1381 with John Hende, John North-

<sup>2</sup> Co. Northampton. Founded by Henry Chichele, Archbishop of Canterbury, anno 10 Henry V.

the names of those above mentioned in the obituary (*martilegio*) of the said college. Dated London, 20 July, A.D. 1425.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Lane (JOHN)**, mercer.—Testament as to certain tenements and rents in London. To be buried in the church of S. Thomas de Acon near the Conduit. To Matilda his wife certain shops and houses in the lane and parish of S. Laurence in the Old Jewry for life, provided she forego her dower of other tenements in the same lane and parish, as well as in Wodestrete in the parish of S. Peter in Westchepe, and provided she content herself with what has been left to her in another testament annexed to this present, touching his movable goods; remainder to Johanna his daughter in tail, subject to an annuity to be paid to Thomas his bastard son; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Also to his said wife tenements in Thamisestrete in the parish of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate, rents of a certain tenement opposite the entrance to the Guildhall in the parish of S. Laurence<sup>1</sup> aforesaid, rents of tenements situate opposite *le horspole* in Smythfeld and in the parish of S. Mildred in the Poultry, for life, upon conditions similar to those above stated; remainder to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 22 June, A.D. 1427.—Also he wills that his executors have free access to his dwelling-house with *getteis* and all its appurtenances, situate in the lane and parish of S. Botolph, for the space of one year after his decease, or longer if necessary, for the administration of his goods.

Roll 155 (75).

**Lane (JOHN)**, mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. Thomas de Acon. To John Rede, Master of the Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr in Suthwerk, and his successors, the reversion of certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Margaret Patyns for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of the said hospital for the good of the souls of the said John Rede, Andrew

<sup>1</sup> Upon the rebuilding of the Guildhall in 1411 a change of front took place; for whereas it had formerly opened out into Aldermanbury, its principal entrance was then made to face, as now, and to be situate in the parish of S. Laurence, Jewry.

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atte Vyne, draper, and others, the residue of the profits being distributed in charity. In every case of default a sum of twenty shillings to be paid by way of penalty to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London for the maintenance of London Bridge. Dated London, 17 December, A.D. 1426.

Roll 155 (78).

**Everard (JOHN)**, mercer.—To be buried as directed in another testament touching his movable goods. To Richard Granger, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of S. Pancras, an annual quitrent of certain lands and tenements in various parishes within the City of London and suburbs, with metes and bounds as set out in certain deeds, which quitrent formerly belonged to William Causton, mercer; for the maintenance of two chantries in the aforesaid church for the good of his soul and the soul of the said William Causton. Also to John Newton, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Benedict Shorhogge, an annual rent issuing from a tenement in the parish of S. Margaret Patyns, for observing the obit of John Frossh, late mercer, and Juliana, wife of the same. Also to the aforesaid rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Pancras an annual rent issuing from a tenement in the parish of S. Margaret aforesaid, for maintenance of the church clock. Dated London, 8 June, A.D. 1426.

Roll 155 (80).

**Stokton (ROGER)**, brewer.—To be buried before the altar of the Fraternity of S. Michael in the body of the church of S. Michael upon Cornhull. To Margaret his sister forty shillings, and all his goods and chattels, lands and tenements, in the county of Devon. To Master Peter Hynewyk, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael aforesaid, he leaves a certain brewery formerly called "*les Stulpes*," and now called "*le Swan on the hop*," opposite *le Tonne*<sup>1</sup> in Cornhull, charged with the maintenance of a lamp to burn day

<sup>1</sup> "Then have ye a fair conduit of sweet water, castellated in the middest of that ward and street [*i.e.* Cornhill]. This conduit was first built of stone in the year 1282 by Henry Walles, Mayor of London, to be a prison for night-walkers, and was called the Tun upon

Cornhill, because the same was built somewhat in fashion of a tun standing on the one end" (Stow's '*Survey*,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 71). Prisons are said hence to have acquired the name of "*round house*."

and night before the high cross within the said church, and with the observance of his obit, the obit of Margaret his wife, &c., in manner directed. In default the tenement to go over to the Wardens of London Bridge to carry out the terms of his will. Dated London, 12 June, A.D. 1419. Roll 155 (81).

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**Buke (JOHN)**, tailor.—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of All Hallows near Grascirche, of which church he was a parishioner, between two trees called “Elmys” which grew there. To Sir William Lopynton, the rector, churchwardens and other parishioners of the aforesaid church, he leaves an annual rent issuing out of his brewery called “le Skut on the hoop” in Grascirchstrete in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, for the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Juliana, Agnes, and Emma his late wives, Alice atte More his kinswoman, and others, as well as for providing wax tapers, &c., as directed. Sir Geoffrey Lane his chaplain to be the first appointed to the chantry. In default the said rent to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London for the perpetual maintenance of London Bridge. Also to Richard Northyn, Master, and the Wardens of the Tailors and Armourers of Linen Armour of the Fraternity of S. John the Baptist in the City of London, he leaves the aforesaid brewery, &c., subject to the above rent charge, for assisting the poor members of the fraternity.<sup>1</sup> Dated London, 26 January, A.D. 1422. Roll 155 (82).

#### ANNO 6 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Edmund, Bishop [16 Nov.].*

**Wethyhale (RICHARD)**, goldsmith.—To be buried in S. Dunstan's Chapel in the church of S. Peter in Westchepe. To Alice his wife a tenement called “le Newtaverne” in the parish of S. Peter aforesaid for life; remainders to John and Thomas his

<sup>1</sup> No mention of this devise to the Merchant Taylors' Company appears either in the Report made to the Commissioners by Mr. Hare in 1864 or in the Company's own return to the Livery Companies' Commission appointed in 1880, to whose Report (which appeared in 1884) frequent reference will be made in cases of property left to civic companies in trust for charitable purposes.

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sons in successive tail; remainder to the Wardens of the Mistery of Goldsmiths of London and commonalty of the same for the relief of the blind and infirm of the same commonalty, as well as for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Peter aforesaid, observance of his obit, &c., in manner directed.<sup>1</sup> In default the property to go over to the rector and certain parishioners of the church of S. Peter aforesaid in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 15 September, A.D. 1427.

Roll 156 (16).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Pycard** (WILLIAM), grocer.—To Johanna his wife a tenement called “le Talbot” in Candelwykstrete in the parish of S. Mary de Abbechirche for life; remainder to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Martin Orgar for prayers for the souls of William Hyde, John Courteys, and others. To Alice Burward, Prioress of the House of S. Leonard at Stratford atte Bowe, and convent of the same, he leaves another tenement in the same street and parish for similar uses. Dated London, 24 January, A.D. 1425.

Roll 156 (32).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Bartelot** (SIMON), mercer.—To Richard Collyng, the vicar, and churchwardens of the church of S. Laurence in Old Jewry, a certain tenement at the corner of S. Laurence Lane in Old Jewry, charged with the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of William Parker senior, Johanna, wife of the same, William Parker junior, Margaret, wife of the same, and others, and also the observance of an obit annually for the same as directed; remainders over in default to the Mayor and Commonalty for similar uses. Also to the said vicar and churchwardens a mansion and shop in a street called “Cattestrete” in the parish of S. Laurence aforesaid, in aid of a light called “B...mlicht” (?) within the said church. Dated London, 27 October, A.D. 1427.

Roll 156 (50).

<sup>1</sup> The same remark applies to this devise as was made in the preceding note to the will of John Buke.

<sup>2</sup> Probably “Bemlight.” The MS. here is slightly injured by damp.

*Monday next after the Feast of Translation of S. Martin [4 July].*

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**Basset** (JOHN), brewer.—To be buried in the church of the Friars Minors.<sup>1</sup> Johanna his wife to have his house called “le Crowne” with shop adjoining in the parish of S. Audoen<sup>2</sup> for the term of four years next after his decease; remainder to Margaret, wife of John Phelyppe, his kinswoman, in tail; remainder to “Pascuus,” son of John Hopkyn of Cornwall, in tail; remainder to Margery, wife of John Lane, “iremonger,” in tail; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds, &c.<sup>3</sup> Dated London, at his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Audoen, 29 December, A.D. 1425.

Roll 156 (56).

# ANNO 7 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Trumpyngton** (THOMAS), “haberdassher.”—Testament as to a tenement in the parish of S. James de Garlekhethe. To Sir Richard Jepe, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of All Hallows de Honylane, he leaves the above tenement, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Robert Turk and others, in manner directed. The residue of the issues and profits of the said tenement, after providing for the chantry and repair of the tenement, to be devoted to the ornaments and other necessities of the church. Dated London, 21 March, A.D. 1425.

Roll 157 (6).

**Exton** (THOMAS), goldsmith.—To be buried in S. Paul’s churchyard called “Pardon chirchehawe.” Bequest to the stipendiary chaplain in the church of S. Leonard de Fasterlane for prayers. To Johanna his wife certain shops in the parish of S. Leonard aforesaid, charged with the observance of his obit in manner directed, causing his soul and the souls of Isabella his late wife and of Martin Elys to be mentioned from the pulpit every Sunday among other benefactors of the church, relieving parishioners from payment of “Candelsylver” at Easter, and providing

<sup>1</sup> Franciscan or Grey Friars, whose house stood on the site of Christ’s Hospital.

<sup>2</sup> S. Owen or Ewin.

<sup>3</sup> *Et quod pecunia, etc.*, in original MS.

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a wax taper of ten pounds for Christ's tomb to burn in the same church at Eastertide, commencing on the day of the Preparation (*in die Parassaves*). After her decease the said shops to remain to the rector and churchwardens of the aforesaid church on like condition; the residue of the profits of the same being preserved in a chest within the church, and expended, when required, upon ornaments and other necessities for the said church. In case of default in observance of his obit as directed the aforesaid shops are to go over to the Wardens of the Art and Mistery of the Goldsmiths of the City of London for due observance of his obit as well as for the augmentation of the common alms of the said art and mistery. The owners of the said shops for the time being are to enjoy a certain rent for an easement of a gutter running through one of the shops from a neighbouring tenement, with power to distrain for the rent or to stop up the watercourse. Also to Johanna his wife he leaves all his furs (*pellicias*). Dated London, 20 May, A.D. 1420.

Roll 157 (10).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Mockyng** or **Mokkyng** (THOMAS), clerk.—Testament touching his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Botolph without Aldrichgate. To be buried according to directions given in his other testament touching his movable goods. The above lands and tenements he devises to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Botolph aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Thomas his father, Alice his mother, and others, saving the sum of ten marks sterling, which he leaves to the Prioress and Convent of Litilmore<sup>1</sup> in the diocese of Lincoln. Dated London, 1 October, A.D. 1427.

Roll 157 (52).

*Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Thomas, Martyr [7 July].*

**Mockyng** or **Mokkyng** (THOMAS DE), clerk, son of Thomas de Mockyng, late fishmonger.—Testament touching his lands and tenements in Bridge Street in the City of London. To Master

<sup>1</sup> Co. Oxford. A priory of Benedictine nuns; suppressed by Papal bull A.D. 1524, and given to Cardinal Wolsey | towards the founding of his New College at Oxford.



Henry Mersshton, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Magnus near London Bridge, he leaves his tenement called "le Castell on the hoop," with three adjoining shops in Bruggestrete in the parish of S. Magnus aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Magnus, and also with the due observance of his obit and commemoration of the souls of Thomas his father and Alice his mother, with services as directed. In case of default or misappropriation of the issues of the said lands and tenements the same are to go over to Sir Richard Bragg, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of S. Margaret Patyns, for similar purposes. If at the time of his decease the citizens of London are not allowed to devise tenements within the City in mortmain, as formerly they were accustomed, or if it happen that the tenements so devised by him in mortmain be withdrawn from mortmain by statute or legal process, so that the above legacies become invalid, he leaves the aforesaid tenement and shops in trust for sale by the rector and certain parishioners of the church of S. Magnus aforesaid, and the proceeds to be devoted to the seven works of mercy,<sup>1</sup> the repair of highways, maidens' marriage portions, &c. Dated London, 4 October, A.D. 1428.

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Here follows a certificate of the testator having been admitted to the freedom of the City, 8 September, 8 Henry IV. [A.D. 1407].

Roll 157 (56).

# ANNO 8 HENRY VI.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Maur, Abbot [15 Jan.].*

**Hatfeld** (THOMAS), draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael de Hoggenlane. To Master Robert Fitz Hugh, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the said church, he leaves two shops situate at the corner of Hoggenlane, on condition they keep the same in good repair and maintain a lamp burning day and night before the high cross in the said church. Dated London, 5 September, A.D. 1422.

Roll 158 (31).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*

**Broun** (JOHN), saddler.—To be buried in the great churchyard

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 394.

**A.D. 1429-30.** of S. Paul's before the cross there, where lie the bodies of Katherine his late wife and of Henry his son. To the rector, churchwardens, and four parishioners of the church of S. Michael in Hoggenlane and their successors he leaves a certain parcel of land within the parish which he acquired by deed enrolled in the Husting, and upon which formerly stood a building which he had pulled down for the purpose of enlarging the said church towards the west end and adding a belfry. Dated London, 18 October, A.D. 1422. Roll 158 (32).

**Gyffard** (AGNES, relict of RICHARD, fishmonger).—To Sir Simon Flour, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Nicholas Coldabbey, an annual rent issuing from a certain shop and houses within the parish, for the purpose of keeping her obit in the said church, with religious observances as directed. To Johanna Buklond her daughter she leaves the aforesaid shop and houses for life, subject to the above charge and to the payment of an annuity to Cecilia, another daughter of the testatrix; remainder in trust for sale, and one moiety of the proceeds to go to the nuns of Chesthunt, and the other to be divided among the children of the aforesaid Johanna and of Thomas Gyffard her son. Dated 12 June, A.D. 1423. Roll 158 (33).

**Brown** (ROBERT), goldsmith.—To be buried at the entrance to the Charnel house under S. Mary's Chapel in the great churchyard of S. Paul's. To Johanna his wife his corner tenement at Fletebrigge, together with a wharf in the parish of S. Brigid in Fletestrete, for life; the reversion of the same to be sold for the good of his soul, the souls of Thomas Panton, John Brown and Johanna, wife of the same, Stephen Thorp and Margaret, wife of the same, Johanna his daughter, and others. The residue of his goods and chattels, movable and immovable, he leaves to his aforesaid wife by way of her reasonable part. Dated London, the last day of April, A.D. 1424. Roll 158 (34).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

**Bugge** (STEPHEN), draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Mildred in Bredestrete. Bequests to the said church and for

maintenance of a chantry therein. To Agnes his wife his brewery in the parish of S. Mildred aforesaid for life; remainder to Nicholas Overton, the rector, and churchwardens of the aforesaid church, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes his wife and others, and with the due observance of his obit in manner directed. The whole of the issues and profits of the aforesaid property is to be kept in a box in the custody of the churchwardens for the time being. Upon the chantry becoming vacant for the space of a month, the appointment is to be with the Dean of Arches or his Commissary, who is also empowered to inquire into the conduct of any chantry priest who has given offence. Dated London, 18 March, A.D. 1428.

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Roll 158 (39).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

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**Nasyng** (JOHN), girdler.—To be buried in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate. To William his son he leaves his best cloak of sanguine colour. To Alice his wife his horn of *Bugle*;<sup>1</sup> also all his lands and tenements within the parish of S. Giles aforesaid for life, charged with an annuity to William his son, to whom the property is to remain in tail after her decease; remainder in trust for sale, and a chantry to be maintained in the aforesaid church out of the proceeds. The residue of the same to be divided into three parts: one part to be devoted to the fabric of the nave of the said church, a second part to be bestowed as marriage portions for poor maidens, and a third part to be distributed, in wood, coal, and clothes, among the poorest of the parish. Dated London, 7 August, A.D. 1424.

Roll 158 (58).

#### ANNO 9 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Frankeleyne** (ROBERT), dyer.—To be buried as directed in another testament touching his movables. To John Davels, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of S. Peter the Less, he leaves a certain parcel of land, situate in the parish

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 271.

**A.D. 1430.** of S. Peter the Less in Themsestrete in the Ward of Baynardescastell, for the purpose of a churchyard. Dated London, 14 July, A.D. 1430. Roll 159 (5).

**Atte Wode (THOMAS)**, hurer.—To Agnes his daughter tenements in Hoggenlane in the parish of S. Michael at Queenhithe, and also in the parish of S. Mary Somerset, in tail; remainder in trust for sale for charitable uses. Dated London, 1 December, A.D. 1427. Roll 159 (8).

**Shadworth (JOHN)**, mercer.—To be buried in a certain tomb in the church of S. Mildred in Bredestrete. Bequests for the maintenance of three chantries in the said church for the space of three years next after his decease. His feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in the county of Cambridge and in the City and suburbs of London are directed to sell the same and deliver the proceeds to his executors for payment of legacies. To Nicholas Overton, the rector, and parishioners of the aforesaid church, he leaves a tenement near the church to serve as a dwelling-house for the rector or parish chaplain for the time being, and a parcel of land for a burial-ground. In case of misappropriation the property to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London in aid of the chaplains of the collegiate chapel near the Guildhall. To the Abbess and Convent of S. Clare of the Minoreesses without Algate a tenement and garden in the parish of S. Bartholomew the Less in the Ward of Bradstrete for prayers for his soul, the souls of Bartholomew de Bozan, Johanna, late wife of the same, and Philippa their daughter, and others, and for observing the obit of the said Johanna. To the common box of the Art of Mercers of London he leaves twenty pounds sterling, and a similar sum to the use and fabric of the Guildhall. The residue of his goods to be devoted to pious and charitable uses as directed. John Carpenter appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 7 May, A.D. 1428.

Roll 159 (11).

**Whappelode (ROBERT)**, hosteler.—To Margaret his wife, by way of dower of his lands and tenements, he leaves an annual quitrent of ten marks for life. To Thomas Dursle and William Downe,

fishmongers, an annual rent issuing from his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Nicholas Coldabbey and S. Mildred in Bredstrete in trust for Hugh his son. To Sir Henry Haunsard, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Margaret in Briggestrete, an annual quitrent of a shop in Briggestrete, charged with the due observance of his obit, with tolling of bells, gifts to the poor, &c., for the good of his soul, the souls of John his brother and of Johanna his brother's wife, and also with the maintenance of chantries, &c., in manner directed. To Richard his son in tail he leaves lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Margaret in Briggestrete, S. Leonard in Estchep, S. Nicholas Coldabbey in Oldefisshstrete, and S. Mildred in Bredestrete, without power of alienating or mortgaging the same; remainders over as to a portion of the property to Johanna his daughter for life and to Robert atte Watre her son in tail; remainder as to another portion to Margery his daughter in tail; remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Margaret aforesaid. His wife to remain in possession of all the above lands and tenements until his son Richard shall have completed his term of apprenticeship. Dated London, 11 August, A.D. 1428.

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Roll 159 (13).

**Shadworth (JOHN)**, mercer.—To John Willy, rector of the church of S. Alban in Wodstrete, tenements in Basynglane in the parishes of S. Mary de Aldermariechirche and S. Mildred de Bredestrete, near the tenement called "Gisoreshalle," so that the said rector and his successors maintain a chantry in the said church for the souls of John Wodecok, Felicia, wife of the same, William and Johanna, the father and mother of the same, and others, and also duly observe the obit of the said John Wodecok in manner directed. The issues and profits of the said tenements to be kept in a box in the custody of the churchwardens. In default of the said chantry the property to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London for the maintenance of a chantry in the Guildhall Chapel. Dated London, 7 January, A.D. 1429.

Roll 159 (15).

<sup>1</sup> See Part I. p. 644, note 8.

**A.D.** *Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and C. [13 Oct.].*  
**1430.**

**Weston (WILLIAM)**, draper.—To be buried either in the church of S. Andrew upon Cornhull or in the church of the house of S. Mary Overey in Suthwerk. To Johanna his wife one half of his goods and chattels by way of dower and her share; also all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Olave in Suthwerk for life, remainder in trust for sale. His lands and tenements in the parishes of Dylwyssh,<sup>1</sup> Camerwell, and Lambeth, and elsewhere in the county of Surrey, and likewise his leaseholds in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate, to be sold, and one moiety of the proceeds to go to his aforesaid wife, the residue being at the disposal of his executors. Dated London, 3 October, A.D. 1426. Roll 159 (21).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**White (THOMAS)**, armourer.—To be buried in the church of S. Augustine at the Gate [of S. Paul's]. His executors to sell the term of service of William Stacy his apprentice, and pay the proceeds to Margaret his wife. To John his son one hundred shillings. To Rosa and Johanna his daughters respectively a basin and laver. Also to Margaret his wife all his hustilments and utensils, and the reversion of certain lands and tenements, after the decease of Edmund Salle, for life; remainder to his said daughters. Dated London, 22 May, A.D. 1429.

Roll 159 (31).

**Lardener (ROGER)**, baker.—Bequest to the church of S. Brigid in Fletestrete, of which he was a parishioner, for tithes and oblates forgotten or retained. To Johanna his wife a certain tenement in the parish of S. Brigid aforesaid for life; remainder to Agnes, Lucy, and Isabella his daughters in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 20 January, A.D. 1428.—By codicil he releases a debt to Thomas Mason, sporier. To William Lardener his brother he leaves his leasehold interest in the hostel of the Abbot and Convent of Circestre<sup>2</sup> called "Popyngaye" in Fletestrete, together with *coverlitz*, *blankettes*, sheets, and *matrasses* therein; and also his leasehold tenement in Holbourne held under the Abbot and

<sup>1</sup> Dulwich.

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<sup>2</sup> Cirencester.

Convent of Malmesbury, in trust to pay the profits to his daughters aforesaid. Forgives Richard Barton, "hosteler," a portion of a debt due for a load of hay. Roll 159 (35). A.D.  
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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].* A.D.  
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**Grymston** (ISABELLA, relict of EDMUND, vintner).—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard before the great cross. Her feoffees of a shop and houses in the parish of S. Nicholas at the Shambles to convey a life estate in the same to Agnes Fenslowe her servant; remainder to be sold for pious uses. Dated 20 January, A.D. 1430. Roll 159 (55).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Mallyng** (CRISTINA), relict of Thomas Cake, otherwise called "Mallyng," mason.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Wollechirche. To Cristina her god-daughter, daughter of Ralph Blakelowe, divers chattels, comprising her best mazer with silver-gilt bands and a covercle surmounted with a stag, and a piece of silver with covercle standing upon *Greyhounds*. Her executors to administer her lands and tenements in the parish of S. Mary de Wolchirche for a term of ten years next after her decease, and out of the issues and profits of the same to observe her obit and the obit of her late husband, to keep in repair the said property, and to distribute the residue among the poor, &c. The said property to remain to her aforesaid god-daughter, after the expiration of the above term, for life under like conditions, and also charged with providing wax tapers, each of thirteen pounds weight, to burn in the aforesaid church at the sepulchre in honour of Christ's resurrection. In default the aforesaid lands and tenements to go over to the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity of S. Giles without Crepulgate and commonalty of the same for the maintenance of the said fraternity, charged with certain payments for pious and charitable uses, in default of which the property is to remain to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London and their successors to the use of London Bridge. Dated London, 4 May, A.D. 1430. Roll 160 (15).

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**Elsyng** (THOMAS), mercer, son and heir of Robert Elsyng, deceased, late mercer.—To be buried in the choir of the church of the Hospital of S. Mary de Elsyng within Crepulgate. The canons of the said hospital to hold a service immediately after his decease for the good of his soul, the souls of Robert and Alianora his father and mother, the souls of Roger, John, Margaret, and Avice [his children?], and also to perform other religious duties as directed. To the nuns of Chesthunte he leaves certain rents in the lane of S. Laurence in the Jewry in accordance with the terms of his father's will.<sup>1</sup> Dated London, 15 March, A.D. 1430. Roll 160 (17).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Vincent, Martyr [22 Jan.].*

**Seman** (BARTHOLOMEW), "goldbetere."—To be buried in the church of S. Andrew upon Cornhill. To Elizabeth his daughter one hundred pounds sterling and silver cups and spoons to the value of ten pounds, the same to remain in the custody of Katherine his wife during his daughter's minority. To Margaret Halyday his servant an annual rent issuing from his tenement called "le Bole on the hoop" in the parish of S. Peter upon Cornhill for life, which tenement he leaves to his wife, together with another situate at the corner of Lymstrete in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid. After the decease of his wife the said tenements to remain to his daughter in tail, saving to Margaret Halyday her aforesaid rent; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. A certain tenement in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate to be also sold for like purposes. Dated London, 5 July, A.D. 1431.—Also his will is that his feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in the county of Essex shall make a life estate in the same to Katherine his wife, with remainder to his daughter in tail, reserving the reversion for the purpose of sale. Roll 160 (27).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Cuthbert, Bishop [20 March].*

**Sokelyng** (JOHN), otherwise called "Sydyngbourne."—To Katherine his wife an annual quitrent, issuing from his brewery called "le Cokke on the hoop" in Colmanstrete in the parish of

<sup>1</sup> Enrolled Part I. p. 637.



S. Stephen, for life. To Roger Gaynesburgh, vicar of the parish church of S. Olave in Old Jewry together with the chapel of S. Stephen de Colmanstrete annexed thereto,<sup>1</sup> and to the wardens and parishioners of the said chapel, he leaves the aforesaid brewery on condition they observe his obit, the obits of Margaret his late wife and Katherine his present wife, &c., in manner directed. In default the property is to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty and Chamberlain of the Guildhall of the City of London to carry out the terms of his will. Dated London, 3 January, A.D. 1431.

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Roll 160 (41).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

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**Gerveys<sup>2</sup>** (GEORGE), grocer.—To the Master and Chaplains of the College of S. Michael in the Rirole, London, founded by Richard Whityngton, late mercer, he leaves the tenement situate next to the college, which he acquired by demise and feoffment of John Carpenter, junior, executor of the said Richard, as appears by deed enrolled,<sup>3</sup> to have and to hold the said tenement for the enlargement of the said college. Also to the said master and chaplains he leaves a parcel of land with alley adjoining situate on the north side of the church of S. Michael in the Rirole, for the purpose of a new burial-ground in place of the old one, in execution of the wishes of John Carpenter aforesaid. Also to the warden and poor inmates of the almshouse of Richard Whityngton he leaves a certain messuage, also acquired from John Carpenter by deed enrolled.<sup>4</sup> Also to the aforesaid master and chaplains an annual rent of sixty-three pounds sterling, acquired from the said John Carpenter, in the parishes of S. Michael in the Rirole, S. Laurence in Old Jewry, S. Mary Magdalen in Milkstrete, and others, as appears by deed enrolled,<sup>5</sup> to hold to the said master and chaplains

<sup>1</sup> Stow mentions that the church of S. Stephen, Coleman Street, having served for some time as a synagogue of the Jews, became first a parish church and afterwards a chapel to S. Olave's in the Jewry, remaining a chapel until 7 Edward IV., when it again was made a parish church. This date, however, is shown to be wrong by Newcourt ('Repertorium,' i. 535).

<sup>2</sup> His will is to be found in an *Insperimus* charter granted by King

Henry VI. in the tenth year of his reign, A.D. 1432, touching the foundation of Whittington College. Mr. Hare, in his Report to the Charity Commissioners already mentioned (*supra*, p. 432), sets out an abstract of the *Insperimus* at considerable length (pp. 40-41).

<sup>3</sup> Roll 159 (30).

<sup>4</sup> Roll 159 (36).

<sup>5</sup> Roll 159 (88).

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for their maintenance in return for prayers for the said Richard and Alice his consort, founders of the said college. To the warden and poor inmates of the almshouse of Richard Whityngton he leaves an annual quitrent of forty pounds sterling, also acquired by the testator from John Carpenter, issuing from the lands and tenements aforesaid. To the Prior and Chapter of Christchurch, Canterbury, he leaves an annual quitrent of thirteen shillings and fourpence, charged on the lands and tenements aforesaid, by way of compensation for their surrender of the patronage of the church of S. Michael aforesaid to the Wardens of the Commonalty of the Mistery of the Mercery, London, and their successors.<sup>1</sup> His will to be enrolled, as soon as possible after his decease, in the court of the lord the King in the Guildhall of the City of London, and that having been done, copies of the enrolment are to be made, which, according to the custom of the City, have the same effect as the original will,<sup>2</sup> and these are to be given to the parties interested. Dated London, 7 May, A.D. 1432.

Roll 160 (45).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

Whatele (JOHN), mercer. — To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Aldermanburi. To Roger Rouland, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Christopher, his tenement formerly called “le Worme” in the parish of S. Christopher, and a tenement in the parish of S. Mary de Colcherch near the Conduit, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Christopher aforesaid in the chapel lately built by Dame Margery Nerford, and also with the repair of the said chapel and vestry when needful, the maintenance of chantries, &c., in manner directed.<sup>3</sup> .....Dated 4 January, A.D. 1425.

Roll 160 (51).

<sup>1</sup> Touching the patronage of this church, Newcourt remarks that it remained with the Prior and Chapter of Canterbury till such time as it was made a college, when, although they continued patrons, yet the nomination of such person as they wished to present was in the Wardens of the Company of

Mercers. After the suppression of the college the Dean and Chapter of Canterbury became patrons of the church, and have continued so ever since (*‘Repertorium,’* i. 490).

<sup>2</sup> See Part I., *Introd.*, p. xxix.

<sup>3</sup> The will is imperfect, the next membrane being wanting.

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1432.*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Seman** (BARTHOLOMEW), "goldbetere."—To be buried in the church of S. Andrew upon Cornhill. To Sir William Byngham, the rector, and churchwardens and other parishioners of the church of S. John Zakary, he leaves certain rents charged on tenements and rents in the parish of S. John aforesaid and elsewhere, on condition they maintain a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Katherine his wife, John Frenssh, late goldsmith, Margaret, wife of the same, and others, and duly observe an anniversary, viz., on the 25th August, in manner directed. In default the said rents are to go over to Wardens and Masters of the Mistery of Goldsmiths of the City of London and commonalty of the same under like condition; and again in case of default the said rents to remain to Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London. To Katherine his wife lands, tenements, and rents in the parishes of S. Sepulchre and S. John Zakary for life; remainder to John, son of the above John Frenssh, subject to the above charge, with further remainders in case of default to the aforesaid Wardens and Masters of the Mistery of Goldsmiths and to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London. Dated London, 25 July, A.D. 1431.

Roll 161 (1).

**Seman** (BARTHOLOMEW), "goldbetere."—To the Master and Scholars of the House of S. Michael<sup>1</sup> in the University of Cambridge and their successors he leaves a certain tenement in the lane and parish of S. Laurence in the Jewry, and rents issuing from a tenement at the corner of Mountenhautlane in the parish of S. Mary Somerset, on condition the said master and scholars receive into their house two poor scholars of good fame, to be known as "Turkeschildren" (who shall especially pray for the souls of Sir Robert Turk, Knt., Alice and Beatrix, wives of the

<sup>1</sup> Michael House, founded in 1324 by Henry Aungier de Staunton, Rector of East Dereham, co. Norfolk, Canon of Wells, and Chancellor of the Exchequer temp. Edward II. The foundation consisted of a Master and four Fellows, to whom he assigned his house or mansion in Milne Street in the parish of

S. Michael for a dwelling-house, and appointed S. Michael's Church as their chapel. Out of this institution and others was formed Trinity College, Cambridge, temp. Henry VIII. (Ackerman's 'History of the University of Cambridge,' vol. ii. pp. 169, 177).

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same, and others), and provide for the same a chamber to be called "Turkeschilde chambre," and a livery of coloured cloth every year, and also give each one of them forty shillings for his food and drink in common with other scholars in the same house. The said master and scholars to observe the obit of the aforesaid Robert Turk, and Alice and Beatrix, wives of the said Robert, &c., on the 28th December in each year, upon which day the sum of thirteen shillings and fourpence is to be distributed among the said master and scholars. In default in carrying out the terms of this devise the above tenement and rents are to go over to the Master and Scholars of the House called "Clarehalle"<sup>1</sup> in the same university for like purposes. Also to Sir Nicholas Pope, perpetual vicar of the parish church of Hicchen<sup>2</sup> in the diocese of Lincoln, he leaves divers rents for the maintenance of chantries in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Robert Turk, Alice and Beatrix aforesaid, Robert Kendall, Knt., and Margaret, wife of the same, and others, in manner directed; remainder over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London, in case of default, for the maintenance of chantries in the Guildhall Chapel. Dated London, 12 March, A.D. 1429. Roll 161 (2).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

Olyver (WILLIAM).—To Matilda his wife tenements called "le Sterre" and "le Cheker," and rents in the parish of All Hallows de Bredstrete, for life; remainder to the Master and Brethren of the House and Church of S. Thomas the Martyr of Acon, for the maintenance of chantries, observance of obit, and maintenance of a chorister to be called "Olyveresquerestre," who shall attend divers religious services daily in the said church so far as can be reasonably expected (*quatinus humanitas patitur*). In default the said tenements and rents to go over to the Mayor, Commonalty, and Chamberlain, to carry out the terms of the will. No date.<sup>3</sup> Roll 161 (16).

<sup>1</sup> Formerly known as University Hall, but changed to Clare Hall after the Lady Elizabeth de Clare, Countess of Burgh, daughter and one of the co-heiresses of Gilbert de Clare, Earl of Gloucester, by whom the college was

rebuilt and endowed (Ackerman, *op. cit.*, vol. i. p. 27).

<sup>2</sup> Hitchin, co. Herts.

<sup>3</sup> The usual record of proclamation, probate, and enrolment, as well as the commencement of the will, is omitted.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Maur, Abbot [15 Jan.].*

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**Tetford (JOHN)**, brewer.—To be buried in the church of S. Laurence de Pulteney. To John his son and Johanna his daughter ten pounds sterling respectively. To Margaret his wife a quitrent issuing from a certain tenement at the corner of the lane called “Arundellane,” in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid (*sic*). Also to John his son the reversion of all his lands and tenements in the parish of All Hallows upon the Solar in Thamisestrete, after the death of his wife, for life; remainder to Johanna his daughter for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, 10 June, A.D. 1421.

Roll 161 (26).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*

**Lagage (JOHN)**, goldsmith.—To be buried in the church of S. Pancras. After bequests to the high altar of the said church and to his executors for their trouble he leaves to Elizabeth his daughter one hundred marks sterling for her marriage, and an entire bed with *cilour* and curtains and furniture for a chamber. To Elena his wife, by way of dower and of her share of his goods and chattels movable, three hundred pounds sterling and divers household goods, comprising a *chaufre* of silver, a *poudrebox* of silver, salt-cellars, spoons, mazer cups with bands of silver and bosses on the bottom (*cum burcellis<sup>1</sup> in fundo*), all his napery and *le latonware* of his butlery, and all his *beddyng* and sheets, saving that bequeathed to his daughter. To Sir Richard Granger, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Pancras aforesaid, a certain rent issuing from his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Pancras, for keeping his obit and other pious uses as directed. Also to his said wife he leaves his said dwelling-house for life; remainder to his aforesaid daughter in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, 12 December, A.D. 1432.

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<sup>1</sup> *Burcella* or *bursella*, the Latin form of the English *bussell*, *bussell*, or *bussell*, meaning a little boss or *print* of a mazer, bowl, &c. Mr. W. H. St. John Hope, of the Society of Antiquaries, kindly sends me the following extracts from Henry VIII.'s Jewel Book, in the

possession of the Society (fol. 112): “Item a Bason parcell gilte w<sup>th</sup> a *bussell* in the bottome and the Kinges armes”; and again, “Item an Ewer with the Kinges armes in the *Bussell* of the cover.”

**A.D. 1432-3.** **Marwe** (WILLIAM, son of WILLIAM), smith.—To Johanna his wife all his lands, tenements, &c., in the parish of S. Botolph without Bisshoppesgate for life; remainders to William his son and Agnes his daughter, his daughter's portion being charged with an annual payment of eight shillings towards the maintenance of a lamp in the said parish church. Dated London, 8 June, A.D. 1430. Roll 161 (34).

**Sevenoke** (WILLIAM), grocer.—Testament as to certain rents in Tourstret and Mynchounlane in the parish of S. Dunstan near the Tower, which he leaves to Master Thomas Brouce, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of S. Dunstan aforesaid, for the maintenance of its fabric, ornaments, &c. Dated London, 20 December, A.D. 1426. Roll 161 (35).

*Monday the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

**Sevenoke** (WILLIAM), grocer.—To be buried according to directions contained in his testament touching his movable goods. To William Doune, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Martin within Ludgate, a certain quitrent of five marks, charged on a tenement called "le Cowpe on the hoop," &c., in Fletestrete in the parish of S. Martin aforesaid, in aid of a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of John Flete, capper, John Shawe, vintner, and others, the said quitrent being parcel of six marks six shillings and eightpence annual rent left by the said John Flete to John his son by will proved, proclaimed, and enrolled in the Husting of London, anno 8 Edward I. [A.D. 1279-80].<sup>1</sup> Dated London, 17 June, A.D. 1432.

Roll 161 (40).

**A.D. 1433.** *Monday next before F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Boton** (WILLIAM), goldsmith.—To be buried in the church of S. Vedast. To Johanna his wife certain tenements in the parish of S. Vedast in Westchepe for life, charged with the observance of his obit; remainder to William Boton junior, his kinsman, in tail; remainder to the Wardens of the Mistery of Goldsmiths

<sup>1</sup> Part I. p. 45.

of London and commonalty of the same.<sup>1</sup> He wills also that the said wardens and their successors observe his obit and perform other religious duties in manner directed, with gifts to the poor of the mistery and of the parish of S. Vedast aforesaid. In default the property to go over to the Mayor and Citizens of London and the Wardens of London Bridge to the use and profit of the said bridge, subject to the observance of the terms aforesaid. Dated London, 15 August, A.D. 1431. Roll 161 (45).

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**Cambrugge<sup>2</sup>** (WILLIAM), grocer.—To be buried in S. Stephen's Chapel in the parish of S. Mary atte Hill. To Edith his wife tenements in Mynchonlane and a brewery called "le Mayden on the hoop" in Tourstrete in the parish of S. Dunstan near the Tower for life; remainder to John Mapelstede, Prior of the House of the Salutation of the Mother of God of the Carthusian Order without Aldrichesgate, and convent of the same, on condition they pray for his soul and the souls of Johanna and Anne his wives, Luke his father, Alice his mother, and others. Also to his said wife tenements in the parishes of S. Dunstan Est and S. Dionisius de Bakchirche for life; remainder to John and Alianora his children in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses and the seven works of mercy,<sup>3</sup> the repair of roads in the neighbourhood of London and in the country where most needful, the repair of poor churches, &c. Dated London, 27 December, A.D. 1431.—Also he wills that the reversion of his lands, tenements, and rents in the city of New Sarum be sold by his executors, and his feoffees thereof in trust make a good estate therein to the purchaser.—Also be it remembered that in another testament touching the movable goods of the testator he leaves to Edith his wife his leasehold tenement wherein he dwelt in

<sup>1</sup> This property, the Company say in their return to the Commissioners, is incapable of identification (Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. ii. p. 348).

<sup>2</sup> The testator appears by another will, made in the same year as this will, but not enrolled, to have left to the church of S. Mary at Hill and to the Wardens of the Craft of Grocers all

his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Christopher le Stocks, charged with the maintenance of a chantry and observance of his obit, the residue being devoted to the use of the church. This property was lost at the Reformation ('The Parish of St. Mary-at-Hill, its Church Estates and Charities,' 1878, privately printed, p. 6).

<sup>3</sup> See note *supra*, p. 394.

A.D. 1433. the parish of S. Mary atte Hill for life; remainder to Richard Warbulton, "iremonger." Roll 161 (47).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

**Costantyn** (JOHN, son of JOHN, esquire).—To be buried near his father in the parish church of S. Mary de Aldermanbury. To William his son in tail his lands, tenements, and rents in the parishes of S. Mary de Aldermanbury, S. Mary le Bow, S. Mary de Aldermarchirche, S. Michael in Bassyngeshawe, and elsewhere; remainder to his executors for the purpose of founding a chantry in the church of S. Mary Aldermanbury for the good of his soul, the souls of Elizabeth his wife, William his son, John and Katherine his father and mother, and others, for observance of their obits, and other pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 3 March, A.D. 1431. Roll 161 (53).

*Monday the Feast of S. Alban, Martyr [22 June].*

**Gosselyn** (RICHARD), "irmongere."—To be buried in S. Katherine's Chapel in the church of S. Mary atte Hill. To Beatrix his wife tenements in the parish of S. Mary atte Hill, comprising a tenement called "le Stuehous" in the lane called "Lovelane,"<sup>1</sup> for life, so that she maintain a chantry in the said parish church for the good of his soul, the souls of Rosa his former wife, John Weston, William Weston, and others. To Nicholas his son he leaves the reversion of one of the above tenements, and also a large painted chamber with panelled ceiling (*cum tabula cilurata*), and a small chamber called "Porteres chambre," in tail; remainders to John, Thomas, and Richard his sons, and Johanna and Katherine his daughters, in successive tail. Also to his said sons and daughters he leaves the reversion of the rest of the above tenements in tail, with cross remainders; ultimate remainder in trust for sale, and one hundred pounds sterling to be devoted to the fabric of the church of S. Mary aforesaid, and the residue to be distributed among the deserving poor, being householders, in the Ward of Billingsgate

<sup>1</sup> It is probable that most lanes bearing this name were originally given up to Stews, i.e., houses of ill fame. Occasionally such lanes were known by coarser names. See Part I. p. 42, n.



or elsewhere in the City of London. To Sir William Spark, the rector, churchwardens and other parishioners of the aforesaid church, he leaves the reversion of lands and tenements in S. Vedast Lane after the decease of his wife, for the maintenance of a chantry and wax tapers in the said church in manner directed, and for distribution of alms every week to two of the poorest men or women of the parish, &c.<sup>1</sup> The residue of the issues and profits of the said lands and tenements to be to the use of the fabric of the aforesaid church. In default in carrying out the terms of his will the property is to go over to the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of the church of S. Botolph near Billingsgate for like purposes, and again in default to the Wardens of London Bridge for the time being, in the name of the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London, for pious uses in the chapel upon the said bridge. Dated London, 26 April, A.D. 1428. Roll 161 (57).

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*Monday the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Joye** (JOHN), Chandler. — To be buried in the church of S. Dunstan in the East. To William Brunse, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the said church, and to the masters or wardens of the chantry or fraternity in honour of the Blessed Mary in the same, he leaves the reversion of a certain messuage in Cosyneslane in the parish of All Hallows at the Hay, in aid of the maintenance of a perpetual chaplain of the said chantry or fraternity for the souls of members of the said fraternity, and for the souls of Thomas Southam, Sabina, wife of the same, and others. Dated London, 5 August, A.D. 1430.

Roll 161 (61).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Bret** (ALAN). — Testament touching the disposition of his brewery called "le Christofre on the hope" in the parish of S. Botolph without Aldrychesgate, which he leaves to John the

<sup>1</sup> The authority already cited (*supra*, p. 463, note 2) respecting lands, &c., left to the parish of S. Mary at Hill states that this property was "lost at the Confiscation."

**A.D. 1433.** Abbot of the Monastery of S. Alban, in the diocese of Lincoln and county of Hertford, and convent of the same, together with a *taptrowe*<sup>1</sup> of lead and a certain horse mill, so that the abbot and convent pray for his soul, the souls of Robert Bret his father, Alice his mother, Johanna and Isabella his late wives, and others. To be buried according to directions contained in a certain other testament. Dated London, 12 June, A.D. 1425. Roll 162 (6).

**Sevenoke (WILLIAM)**, grocer. — Testament touching certain lands and tenements and a wharf called “Asselyneswharf” in the parish of S. Dunstan towards the Tower, formerly belonging to John Cherteseye, draper, the reversion of which he leaves to the Prior and Convent of the Church or House of H. Trinity the Great within Algate. Dated London, 5 July, A.D. 1432.

Roll 162 (7).

**Arnold (JOHN)**, “curreour.” — To be buried in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate near Isolda his late wife. To William Aleyn his kinsman a certain tenement in Morestrete in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid. The rest of his property in the same parish to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Isolda and Emmota his former wives, Emmota Bussh his sister, and others. Dated London, the last day of September, A.D. 1429.

Roll 162 (8).

**Oxneye (SALOMON)**, goldsmith. — Testament touching certain lands and tenements, he having already made another testament touching his movables. To James Peryur, the rector, churchwardens and certain parishioners of the church of S. Nicholas Acoun near Lombardstrete, he leaves tenements in the said street and S. Nicholas Lane, either in possession or reversion, so that they maintain out of the issues and profits of the same a chantry for the souls of John Bartell, Alexander Watford and Agnes, wife of the same, Bartholomew Chaungeour, Sarah, wife of the same, and Alice their daughter, Cecilia his late wife, and others; and observe other religious duties in manner directed. The residue of the profits to be kept in a box in the said church under the care of

<sup>1</sup> Tap-trough. It figures as an implement used by brewers in Riley's 'Memorials' (p. 194). Cf. will of Thomas Curteise, Part I. p. 541.

the rector and churchwardens, and to be devoted to the repair of the aforesaid tenements and to the fabric and ornaments of the said church. In cases of default made in the aforesaid chantry the property is to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty for the purpose of executing the terms of his will. Dated London, Thursday, 2 March, A.D. 1429. Roll 162 (15).

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**Rolf (JOHN)**, shipwright and lighterman.—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of All Hallows de Berkyng. To Johanna his daughter, wife of William Miller, shipwright, a mansion in Petitwales in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid. The rest of his tenements, with wharf in the 'same street and parish, to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses for the good of his soul, the souls of Matilda, Matilda, and Johanna his late wives, and others, the maintenance of a chantry priest for two years in the aforesaid church, the repair of the said church, highways, &c. Dated London, 24 March, A.D. 1432. Roll 162 (16).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Maur, Abbot [15 Jan.].*

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**Sevenoke (WILLIAM)**, grocer.—Testament touching his tenement in the lane called "Botulpheslane" in the parish of S. George near Estchepe, which he leaves to Sir Roger Jurdon, Prior of the New Hospital of S. Mary without Bisshopesgate, and convent of the same, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. George aforesaid for the souls of Roger de la Bere and others. Dated London, 5 July, A.D. 1432.

Roll 162 (20).

**Caketon (WALTER)**, "setter."<sup>1</sup>—To John Croxton, Richard Pepyn, and John Lombe, three chaplains of the chantry

<sup>1</sup> Or arrowsmith (Riley, 'Memorials,' p. 60, n.).

<sup>2</sup> The will of a Sir John "Lambe," described as chaplain of the chantry of Sir Thomas More in the chapel of S. Thomas the Martyr in the cemetery commonly called "Pardone Cherchhawe," adjoining the cathedral church of S. Paul, of which administration was granted in 1434, is preserved among the cathedral archives. The same archives also con-

tain an ordinance by the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's and the thirty chaplains dwelling in the mansions called "Presteshouses," touching the habitation of the three chaplains attached to the chapel built by Sir Thomas More, late Dean of S. Paul's, in honour of S. Anne and S. Thomas the Martyr, dated 8 July, 1424 (Hist. MSS. Com., Ninth Report, Appendix, pp. 48 a-55 a).

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in a certain chapel in S. Paul's churchyard called "Pardon-chirchew," founded by Thomas More,<sup>1</sup> clerk, in honour of S. Anne and S. Thomas the Martyr, he leaves certain tenements and shops in Bowyerrewe in the parish of S. Martin, Ludgate, in *le Bayly* without Ludgate, and also near *le Jewen gardyn* in the parish of S. Botolph without Aldrichgate, charged with the maintenance of an additional chantry priest in the aforesaid chapel, and with certain payments to the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's for choristers to sing daily after compline the psalm *De profundis* with versicles, *Requiem eternam*, and the prayer *Inclina Domine* at the tomb of the aforesaid Thomas More. Dated London, 1 December, A.D. 1429. Roll 162 (24).

**Brit (ALAN).**—To be buried according to directions contained in another testament touching his movable goods. To Sibil his wife a life interest in certain lands, tenements, &c., in the parish of All Hallows de Fanchirche; the reversion or remainder to be sold, and out of the proceeds he leaves ten pounds to his said wife, twenty shillings to the fabric of the nave of the church of All Hallows aforesaid, and ten marks for the maintenance of a chantry priest in the church of S. Botolph without Aldrichgate for one year; the residue to be devoted to marriage portions for poor girls and other charitable uses. Dated London, 28 June, A.D. 1432. Roll 162 (33).

*Monday the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

**Caketon (WALTER), "setter."**—To be buried according to instructions contained in his testament touching his movables. To John Prentys, Dean of the Free Royal Chapel of S. Stephen within the Palace of Westminster, and college of the same, certain rents issuing from a tenement called "le Scot on the hoop" in Bisshopsgatestrete, charged with keeping the obits of Robert Foulmer, late canon of the chapel aforesaid, and of John Preston, also canon of the same, on the 29th day of August of each

<sup>1</sup> Elected Dean of S. Paul's 1406. Died in 1421, and was buried in a cloister on the north side of S. Paul's Church, where anciently stood a chapel founded by Gilbert Becket (Portreeve of London), and rebuilt by the dean, who purposed

founding a chantry of three priests therein, but dying before it could be accomplished, his wish was carried out by his executors (Newcourt, 'Reperitorium,' vol. i. p. 43).

year, with distribution of specific sums of money to the dean, canons, vicars, choristers, and verger (*virgebanilus*) as directed. A.D.  
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Dated London, 18 August, A.D. 1430. Roll 162 (41).

**Ulsthorp (JOHN)**, tailor.—To Sir Thomas Faukys, rector, and the churchwardens of the church of S. Brigid in Fletestrete, certain tenements, comprising a tenement called “the Tabard,” situate between “the Castell” and “le George atte Sholaneend,” and another called “the Ravyn” in the parish of S. Brigid, charged with the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his late wife, Reymund his son, and others, and for the soul of Isabella his present wife, when dead, in manner as directed. The priest serving the said chantry to have his chamber and dwell within the parish, and also to keep in a cupboard under the altar a missal, a chalice and paten, a chasuble of red *velewet* with apparel for festivals and two other chasubles for Sundays and weekdays, and a Processional. The said priest is also to have the use of his large Antiphonar with music of the use of Sarum, a large Gradual of the same use, a pair of phials, and a *paxbrede* of silver. The residue of the ferm of the aforesaid messuages, after disbursement of charges, to be kept in a box for the purpose and to be expended when necessary upon repair of the same messuages, and not otherwise. In default the property to go over to the vicar and churchwardens of the church of S. Dunstan in Fletestrete for similar uses. Isabella his wife to have a life interest in the above messuages, provided she maintain the above chantry, &c. Also to the aforesaid rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Brigid he leaves shops in the same parish in aid of the said church and repair of its goods and ornaments. Dated 25 January, A.D. 1432. Roll 162 (46).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**David (PETER)**, saddler.—To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Saddlers the reversion of certain tenements<sup>1</sup> in

<sup>1</sup> No specific mention of the property here devised appears to have been made in the Company's return to the Commissioners appointed in 1880 to inquire into the estates of the livery companies.

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Westchepe and Gudrunlane in the parish of S. Vedast, charged with the observance of the obit of Simon Sewale and others in the church of S. Peter de Westchepe, with tolling of bells, distribution of coal, food, and drink to poor householders in manner as directed. In default the property to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London, subject to similar charges, the residue of the profits going to the relief of the Chamber of the Guildhall. Also to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Saddlers aforesaid he leaves the reversion of certain rents in aid of the said commonalty and its poor members. Dated 17 August, A.D. 1433. Roll 162 (53).

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*Monday next before F. of Trans. of S. Thomas, Martyr [7 July].*

**Caketon** (WALTER), "setter."—To be buried in the great churchyard of S. Paul's. To Katherine, daughter of Thomas Halle, fuller of Suthwerk, he leaves twenty pounds for her marriage, the same to be deducted from the sum of two hundred marks due to him from Thomas Selove (Seloue?), grocer. If the said Katherine marry without the consent of John Aylewyn, "Stacioner," the bequest to be distributed among poor domestics. To John, son of the aforesaid Thomas, ten marks, his sword and *basilard*; and to William, son of the said Thomas, ten marks. His lands and tenements in the lane called "Barthawelane"<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Mary de Colchirche to be sold in aid of his present will. Dated London, 19 June, A.D. 1431. Roll 162 (67).

**Morys** (MARGARET, widow of RICHARD, "harbour").—To be buried near her late husband in the great churchyard of S. Paul's. Her lands and tenements in Eldenelane in the parish of S. Faith to be sold, and a chantry to be maintained out of the proceeds in the church of S. Mary Magdalen aforesaid (*sic*) for the good of her soul, the souls of the said Richard and William (*sic*), and Matilda, formerly wife of the same Richard, and others; saving a certain shop which she leaves to Richard Barre and Margaret his wife for their respective lives. Thomas Saunder, "taloghchaundeler," her servant, to have the option of purchasing the aforesaid lands and tenements for one hundred shillings less than others. Also to the

<sup>1</sup> More frequently written "Bordhawelane."

said Thomas she leaves a garden, wharf, &c., situate near the house of John Hedersete, fishmonger, called "le Herynghows," together with all the stock of the said garden except *le Vynegre* which is there. Dated London, 27 May, A.D. 1433.

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Roll 162 (68).

**Penne (JOHN)**, skinner. — To Master John Braughyng, the rector, and parishioners of the church of S. John upon Walbrook and their successors, certain lands and tenements at the corner of Walbrook, an annual quitrent of sixty shillings sterling issuing from a tenement in the parish of S. Mary Wolchirche, together with the reversion of the same tenement, to hold the same charged with the maintenance of a chantry within the aforesaid church for the souls of the late King Henry IV., the testator, Olive his late wife, and others, with observance of his obit and other religious duties as directed. Distributions to be also made out of the issues and profits of the above bequest to divers chaplains and to poor householders within the parish of S. John aforesaid, and the residue to be kept in a box in charge of the churchwardens for keeping the said lands and tenements in repair, and for pious and charitable uses. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of these bequests the property is to go over to the rector and parishioners of the church of S. Stephen in Walbrook for like purposes within the said parish church. The rest of his tenements within the City and suburbs to be sold by his executors, and the proceeds to be devoted to the relief of prisoners in Ludgate, Neugate, Flete, the Marshalsea, King's Bench, in the prison of convict clerks in the Abbey of Westminster,<sup>1</sup> and others, the repair of highways around London, &c. Dated London, 1 December, A.D. 1426.

Roll 162 (69).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Cok (ROBERT)**, glover. — To be buried in the church of S. Mag-

<sup>1</sup> The old Gate-house of the precincts, Westminster, previous to the Reformation was divided into two chambers, one of which became the Bishop of London's prison for convicted clergy and Roman Catholic recusants, whilst the other acquired an unenviable notoriety as the public prison of Westminster (Stanley's 'Westminster Abbey,' pp. 399-402).

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nus the Martyr near London Bridge. Certain tenements and wharf called "Drynkwateres wharf," and others, in the parishes of S. Magnus near London Bridge and H. Trinity the Less in Knyght-rideristrete, a tenement called "litillondon" in the parish of All Hallows called "atte Walle," and others, held by the testator as security for a debt due by Nicholas, son of Robert Cok, late glover, to be redeemed by the said Nicholas upon payment of one hundred marks sterling; otherwise the same are to be held by Margaret his wife and Nicholas Bolthorp, vintner, his executors, for the lifetime of the aforesaid Nicholas. Dated London, 3 February, A.D. 1433. Roll 162 (78).

**Coffyn** (THOMAS), baker. — To be buried in the church of H. Trinity the Less. To Agnes his wife a bakehouse and shops in the parish of H. Trinity aforesaid for life; remainder as to a certain shop to Thomas his son in tail, and as to the residue to the rector and churchwardens of the church of H. Trinity aforesaid and their successors, for the maintenance of a chantry founded therein for the souls of John le Chambre and Roger de Ely, as well as for the souls of Johanna and Isabella his late wives. Also to the said rector and churchwardens the reversion of the shop left to his son, so that they observe his obit in manner directed. In default the whole of the property to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London for similar purposes. Dated London, 27 March, A.D. 1434. Roll 162 (79).

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## ANNO 13 HENRY VI.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Giles, Abbot [1 Sept.].*

**Caundissh** (JOHN), "brouderer."<sup>1</sup> — To be buried near Matilda his late wife in the church of S. Margaret de Lothbury. To Thomas, Rouland, and Henry his sons he leaves divers furred gowns, a covered piece of silver marked with swans (*signis*) and another covered piece marked with eagles, and the implements of his craft. Also to Thomas his son certain tenements in the parish of S. Mary de Vanchirche in tail, on condition his said son impeach not his executors of waste committed on his lands and

<sup>1</sup> Embroiderer.



tenements in the county of Suffolk; remainders over. To Alice his wife his hostel called "Yvihalle" in the parish of H. Trinity aforesaid<sup>1</sup> (*sic*), together with tenements in Hoggenlane in the same parish, for life; remainders to his aforesaid sons in successive tail male; remainder to the rector and parishioners of the church of H. Trinity aforesaid for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 8 May, A.D. 1433.

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Roll 163 (64).

#### ANNO 14 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Haxham** or **Exham** (JOHN), cordwainer.—To be buried in the principal entry to the churchyard of the parish church of All Hallows in Lumbardstrete, where Johanna his late wife lies buried. To William Archer of London, cordwainer, and Margaret, wife of the same, the testator's daughter, he leaves lands and tenements in Lumbardestrete in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. To William Landwath, cordwainer, and Agnes, wife of the same, daughter of Johanna his late wife, other lands and tenements in the same street and parish in tail, with similar remainder. Dated London, 15 April, A.D. 1435.

Roll 164 (14).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Lemman** (JOHN), skinner.—To be buried near Johanna his late wife in S. Paul's churchyard. To Johanna his present wife he leaves two hundred pounds sterling and a moiety of all his goods and chattels movable, saving his coined money and his shop and its merchandise. Dated London, 24 September, A.D. 1435.—Also to Johanna his wife his tenements called "le Meriole" in Westchepe, parish of All Hallows in Honylane, near a tavern called "le Gote," for life; remainder in trust for sale, and twenty pounds of the proceeds to be devoted to the fabric of the new church of S. Stephen upon Walbrook. Also of the proceeds he leaves five pounds for the maintenance of the Fraternity of Corpus Christi of the craft of Skinners of London, and forty shillings for

<sup>1</sup> H. Trinity the Less.

**A.D.** the maintenance of the Fraternity of the Blessed Mary of the  
**1435.** same craft. Roll 164 (24).

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**Chadde** (JOHN), cutler. — To be buried in the church of S. Mildred in the Poultry. To Johanna his wife he leaves his interest in a certain annual rent charged on tenements in the parish of All Hallows upon the Solar (*super solarium*). A certain tenement in Conynghopelane in the parish of S. Mildred aforesaid, situate near the tenement formerly belonging to Walter, Lord Fitz Wauter, which he and his aforesaid wife jointly had acquired, to be sold after the decease of his wife, and the proceeds distributed among poor householders, parishioners of the churches of S. Mary de Colchirche and S. Mildred aforesaid, and also poor cutlers for the good of his soul. Dated London, 10 February, A.D. 1434. Roll 164 (28).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Knolles**<sup>1</sup> (THOMAS), senior, grocer. — Testament touching a tenement formerly belonging to Richard Odyham senior, grocer, in the parish of S. Antonin, which he leaves to Robert Wydyton, grocer, and Elizabeth, wife of the same, daughter of the aforesaid Richard and late wife of John Oxneye, grocer, for their lives. Also to Dame Johanna Welles, a nun in the convent of Sopwelle<sup>2</sup> near the vill of St. Alban, daughter of the aforesaid Elizabeth, he leaves an annual rent of thirteen shillings and fourpence issuing from the above tenement. The reversion of the said tenement he leaves to Johanna, wife of Thomas Saundres and sister of the said Elizabeth, for life, subject to the payment of the above annual rent; and after the decease of the parties interested the tenement to remain to the Wardens of the Mistery of the Grocery of the City of London and commonalty of the same for

<sup>1</sup> Alderman of Dowgate; Sheriff, 1394-5; Mayor, 1399-1400. Took an active part in rebuilding the Guildhall, "and instead of an old little cottage in Aldermanberie Street, made a fair and goodly house more near unto St. Laurence Church in the Jurie" (Stow). He also

rebuilt S. Antholin's Church, and gave his own house to the Grocers' Company for the relief of the poor. His benevolence further extended to providing sweet water for the prisoners confined in Newgate and Ludgate.

<sup>2</sup> A Benedictine nunnery.

the relief of the poor of the said commonalty,<sup>1</sup> saving the annuity aforesaid. Dated London, 12 July, A.D. 1432.

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Roll 164 (32).

NOTE.—The above will was made an exhibit in Chancery *in re* Attorney-General *v.* Fishmongers' Company.

**Knolles (THOMAS), senior, grocer.**—Testament touching his brewery called “le Crane on the hoop” in Fletstret in the parish of S. Dunstan in the suburb of London, which he leaves to the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul’s, together with a shop in the parish of S. Michael le Quern. To be buried in the church of S. Antonin. Thomas his son appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 29 June, A.D. 1435. Roll 164 (33).

**Middelton (THOMAS), mercer.**—To be buried in S. Mary’s Chapel in the church of S. Laurence in Old Jewry under the stone where lies John Middelton his uncle. To Leticia his wife the reversion of certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Laurence aforesaid, to hold absolutely; also the residue of his goods, movable and immovable, after discharge of debts, to be at her own disposal and for the good of his soul. Dated London, 25 November, A.D. 1434. Roll 164 (34).

**Knolles (THOMAS), senior, grocer.**—To be buried according to directions contained in another testament touching his movables. To Friar John Snell, Warden, Preceptor, or Master of the House or Hospital of S. Antony, and brethren of the same, he leaves a certain shop in the parish of S. Benedict Fynk (which he and Thomas Knolles junior, his son, lately acquired by deed<sup>2</sup> from John Trubyk, called “Petresfeld,” and others), for the maintenance of a lamp to burn in the chancel of the church or chapel of the said house, and for observance of the obit of the said warden,

<sup>1</sup> Touching this legacy, Mr. Hare reported to the Charity Commissioners in 1863 as follows:—“The property thus devised consists of a warehouse abutting on St. Antholin’s Churchyard, Budge Row, let to Millington & Hutton, assignees of Wm. Leschalles, on lease for 21 years from Michaelmas, 1845, at a rent of 125*l.* 17*s.* This money is in-

cluded in the distribution to poor freemen and widows of freemen of the Company.”

<sup>2</sup> Enrolled in the Husting for Pleas of Land held Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.], 10 Henry VI. [A.D. 1431-2].—Roll 160 (28).

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1435-6. preceptor, or master when dead, with donations to the poor, &c., in manner prescribed. In every case of default the beneficiaries are to forfeit an annual sum of six shillings and eightpence. Dated London, 26 May, A.D. 1432. Roll 164 (36).

Knolles (THOMAS), senior, grocer.—To be buried in the church of S. Antonin. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, to divers orders of friars in London, the hospitals of S. Mary de Bedlem without Bysshopesgate and S. Mary without Bysshopesgate, the fabric of the church of Northmymmes<sup>1</sup> and parishioners thereof, the nuns of Soppewell<sup>2</sup> and Pray,<sup>2</sup> the inmates of various prisons, &c. Bequests also of money or goods to Thomas, William, Robert, and Richard his sons, Beatrix, Margery, and Margaret his daughters, Beatrix, daughter of his son Thomas, his servants, and others. Among other charitable bequests he leaves the sum of ten pounds to be distributed among the poor men of his mistery, and a similar sum to the poor of the parish of S. Antonin. Dated London, 20 May, A.D. 1435.—Also he wills that his feoffees in trust of houses, shops, &c., in the parishes of S. Antonin, S. Thomas the Apostle, S. Martin in the Vintry, All Hallows de Honylane, and elsewhere in the City of London, and also of the advowson of the said church of All Hallows, convey the same absolutely to Thomas his son. His feoffees in trust of his manor of Northmymmes, co. Herts, and of other lands and tenements in the same county, as well as in Lambhithe, co. Surrey, are to convey a like estate in the same to his said son. Roll 164 (37).

NOTE.—The above will was made an exhibit in Chancery on behalf of the defendant *in re* Attorney-General *v.* Fishmongers' Company.

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1436. *Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

Clopton (CLARICE, wife of ROBERT, draper), relict of Thomas Scot, salter.—A certain tenement in Bredestrete in the parish of All Hallows to be sold, and a chantry to be maintained out of the proceeds in the church of All Hallows aforesaid for the space of four years next after his decease. Dated 3 February, A.D. 1435.

Roll 164 (45).

<sup>1</sup> Co. Herts.

<sup>2</sup> See notes *supra*, p. 313.

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**Barton**<sup>1</sup> (HENRY), skinner.—To be buried in the chapel of *le Charnel* of S. Paul's. To the Master and Brethren of the Guild or Fraternity of Corpus Christi and to the rector of the church of S. John upon Walbroke he leaves divers tenements situate in Watlyngstrete in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermarichurch and in Westchepe, and a messuage called "*le Rede lyon*" in Wodestrete in the parish of S. Alphege, for the purpose of erecting almshouses. Also to the same he leaves an annual rent of four marks issuing from lands and tenements called "*Romaynsrent*" in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermarichurch. Directions given at great length for keeping his obit in the chapel of *le Charnel*, with instructions to supply the Mayor and Aldermen who attend with two shillings of bread called "*Maindbrede*,"<sup>2</sup> six gallons of wine, and a barrel of beer containing thirty gallons. Sums of money to be given to the Mayor, Recorder, Sheriffs, Chamberlain, and others attending mass on the morrow of the Feast of All Saints, as also to the Common Clerk of the City for the time being for proclaiming the terms of his testament. The master and brethren and rector aforesaid to maintain a chantry in the chapel of the Guildhall. The chaplain of the fraternity to be provided with a livery gown for the festival of Corpus Christi, and to attend every meeting of the guild or fraternity held for the purpose of observing the obit or anniversary of any brother or sister of the same. To the Prior and Convent of Elsyngspytell in the parish of S. Alphege within Crepulgate he leaves an annual rent of six shillings and eightpence, on condition they send two canons to attend his mass on All Souls' Day, and provide two pounds of wax to be made into small candles called "*Syngyng-candelles*," for masses to be said so long as the said candles shall last.<sup>3</sup> Also to the aforesaid master and warden and rector aforesaid he leaves his complete vestment of black velvet with orphreys

<sup>1</sup> An abstract of the testator's will is printed in Herbert's '*Twelve Great Livery Companies of London*,' 1836 (vol. ii. 347-50), together with an account of the property as it existed at that time and its mode of application. No further information, however, as to the property here devised to the Skinners' Company is to be got from Mr. Hare's Report or from the Company's return

to the Livery Companies Commission of 1880.

<sup>2</sup> Bread given at the observance of an obit or anniversary of a person's decease, otherwise called his "*year's mind*"; just as the religious service held thirty days after his decease was known as his "*month's mind*."

<sup>3</sup> One is reminded of the old-fashioned auction "*by inch of candle*."

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of feather work and others of cloth of gold, also *auterclothes*, comprising a *frount*,<sup>1</sup> *countrefrount*,<sup>2</sup> and *curteyns*<sup>3</sup> to match; a cross of silver enamelled and gilt, weighing 3 lb 8½ oz. troy, with *crossesstaf* of *coper* gilt, and a silver-gilt *coupe* for reserving the Host, weighing 2 lb 7 oz. troy; also large silver cups called “*Bolpeces*” or “*Bolcuppis*,” weighing 7 lb 10 oz. troy; also *eweris*, *chargeours*, and *platers* marked with his arms. The said *bolcuppis* or *bolpeces* to be used for serving wine to the Mayor, Aldermen, or Sheriffs attending his obit, and whenever the members of the guild or fraternity of the Skinners of London are summoned to meet at their hall. To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary de Alder-marichirche and their successors he leaves all his lands and tenements called “*Romaynsrent*” aforesaid, subject to the above charge, on condition the said rector for the time being prays for the souls of Richard Barton, the testator’s father, Dionisia his mother, and others. To Johanna his wife, by way of dower, houses, shops, &c., in the parish of S. John Zakary and S. Anne and the parish of S. Mary Stanyng, which he acquired from the executors of Drugo Barantyne by deed enrolled;<sup>4</sup> also his manor of Yonges in the vill or parish of Staundon, co. Herts, his lands and meadows near Wadismyln, co. Herts, his manor called “*Marshall*” at High Cross, co. Herts, and his place called “*Sotes*” in the parish of Staundon aforesaid, to hold to the said Johanna for the term of her life, provided she make no further claim for dower; remainder in trust for sale for charitable uses. Also to his said wife he leaves divers goods and chattels by way of her share, if she be content to receive them as such. To Ralph his brother he leaves two silver jugs, his *Basinet*, his *palet* garnished with silver, and his *Jakke* of red *Velewet*. To twenty-four poor men of the art of Skinners in the City of London, being householders and very poor, six shillings and eightpence respectively and a quarter of coals, in return for their prayers; and to every apprentice to the Skinners’ craft twelve pence. Bequests also to those receiving

<sup>1</sup> Or frontal: a movable, ornamental front, whether of metal, wood, or loose silk, put close to the fore part of the altar, reaching down to the ground.

<sup>2</sup> This may mean the hangings against

the wall above and behind the altar, otherwise called *super-frontale* or upper frontal.

<sup>3</sup> Curtains to hang around the altar.

<sup>4</sup> Hust. Roll 144 (35).

alms of the Fraternity of Corpus Christi of the testator's craft, and of the Fraternity of the Blessed Mary of the same craft. Gowns and hoods of best Welsh grey cloth<sup>1</sup> (*de optimo panno roceto Wallensi*) and linen vests to be distributed among the poor of Mildenhale, Staundon, and the City of London. Bequests to divers orders of friars, the inmates of hospitals and prisons, the lepers at Hakeney, S. Giles, and S. Thomas Wateryng, as well as to his apprentices and numerous other individuals. Dated London, the last day of July, A.D. 1434. Roll 164 (46).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Game (HUGH), "peautrer."**—To be buried in the church of S. Mildred in the Poultry, to the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of which he leaves a certain tenement situate near *le Scaldynglane* within the parish, together with shops in the parish of S. Leonard de Estchep and in Candelwykstrete in the parish of S. Mary de Abbechirch, charged with the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes and Matilda his late wives, Margaret his present wife, and others; also with the observance of his obit, with gifts of bread and cheese and beer, &c., in manner directed. In default the property is to go over to the Prioress and Convent of Kylbourne for similar uses. Devises a certain tenement in Graschirchstreet in the parish of S. Leonard de Estchepe to certain "peautrers," whom he appoints executors, to the intent that they shall immediately after his decease convey the same to Margaret his wife, to hold absolutely.<sup>2</sup> Dated London, 10 June, A.D. 1435. Roll 164 (47).

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[NOTE.—*The regnal year and date of the session of the Court are omitted throughout Roll 165.*]

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**Stace (RICHARD), jeweller.**—To be buried in the church of S. Christopher. To the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners

<sup>1</sup> Probably some kind of frieze, Wales having enjoyed a reputation for manufacture of friezes:—"Rocatus, coloris rocæ seu rupis, ut videtur, idem forte qui marmoreus" (Du Cange).

<sup>2</sup> In this way the custom which allowed a citizen to give his wife a life estate only in his lands and tenements within the City was circumvented. (See Introd., Part I., p. xxxviii.)

[A.D. 1436, 1437.] of the said church a certain tenement near Cornhill which he and Johanna his mother acquired from John Olneye, grocer, and Dionisia, wife of the same (widow and executrix of Richard Claveryng, draper), by deed enrolled,<sup>1</sup> charged with the observance of his obit within the said church, and gifts of bread, beer, and clothing to the poor; also with certain payments to the fabric of the body of the said church and for the maintenance of the Fraternity of S. Christopher therein. In default the property to go over to the Wardens and Masters of the Mistery of Goldsmiths of the City of London and commonalty of the same for the relief of the poor of the said commonalty. Dated London, 12 March, A.D. 1433. Roll 165 (1).

**Newnam** (WILLIAM), skinner.—To be buried in S. Paul's churchyard as in another testament touching his movable goods more fully is declared. To the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of the church of S. Augustine by S. Paul's Gate he gives a right of way (*quandam viam processionallem*) through his alley to the east end of the church, with metes and bounds as set out. To Elizabeth his daughter the reversion of certain lands and tenements in Watlyngstret in the parish of S. Augustine after the decease of Elizabeth his wife, to hold in tail subject to the above easement; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 7 May, A.D. 1435.

Roll 165 (19).

**Sutton** (THOMAS), tailor.—To be buried in the church of H. Trinity the Less near Quenehithe, near Roger his late brother. To Geoffrey Gybon, Master of the Fraternity of Tailors and Armourers of Linen Armour of S. John the Baptist in the City of London, the wardens and brethren and sisters of the same fraternity, he leaves lands, tenements, and a wharf in a certain lane called "Cressynghamlane" in the parish of S. James de Garlikhithe, which the testator jointly acquired with others from Robert Luton, late draper, and Robert Mildenhale, late skinner, by deed enrolled.<sup>2</sup> All the issues and profits of the said lands and tenements, &c., after payment of cost of repair and maintenance, to be devoted to the relief of poor brethren and sisters in the

<sup>1</sup> Hust. Roll 134 (101).

<sup>2</sup> Hust. Roll 142 (40).



almshouses of the fraternity,<sup>1</sup> near the hall of the fraternity in the parish of S. Martin Oteswiche. To Cristina his wife tenements in the parish of H. Trinity aforesaid for life; remainder to the master and wardens of the fraternity aforesaid for like uses. Dated London, 23 May, A.D. 1432. Roll 165 (30).

[A.D.  
1436,  
1437.]

**Terry (Guy), baker.**—To be buried in the church of the Friars Minors near Newgate. Bequests to the fabric of the said church and to the friars for their prayers, and for the maintenance of a chantry for the space of one year in the parish church of S. Anne near Aldrissgate. To Alice his wife his bakehouse in the parish of S. Anne aforesaid, and all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Swithun in Candelwikstrete and in Grubbestrete in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, for life; remainder to Richard Cotton de Bromesgrove, co. Worcester, and John Shepton, citizen of London, in fee. Dated London, 17 March, A.D. 1436.

Roll 165 (32).

**Stafford (John).**—To be buried in the church of S. Michael de Bassyngeshawe, where lies the body of Margery his late wife. To Isabella his wife a tenement at the corner of the lane called "Turnebastlane" in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermariechirch for life; remainder to Katherine his daughter and John his son in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 4 May, A.D. 1436. Roll 165 (34).

# ANNO 16 HENRY VI.

A.D.  
1437.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Bacon (John), woolmonger.**—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Estneston, co. Northampton, viz., in the aisle or chapel (*in insula seu capella*) of H. Trinity, where lie the remains of Richard his father and Katherine his mother, if so be he die at

<sup>1</sup> From the return made by the Company to the Livery Companies Commission of 1880 it appears that the property here devised is now represented by a warehouse in Anchor Alley, Thames Street, and by a sum of money in Consols, the produce of other property devised.

The whole of the income is applied solely to the support of the Company's almshouses (Commissioners' Report, 1884, vol. ii. p. 426). The date of the will is given as 26 May, 1432, both in the Company's return and in Mr. Hare's Report made in 1864.

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Estneston;<sup>1</sup> otherwise he is to be buried in the church of All Hallows de Berkyngchirch. And whereas he purposes to rebuild the church of Estneston and the chapel aforesaid during his lifetime, his executors are to carry out his project in the event of his dying before the work is finished. Bequest to the vicar and parishioners of the said church of an annual rent issuing from his lands, tenements, &c., in the parishes of All Hallows de Berkyngchirch, S. Clement towards Candelwikstrete, S. Leonard de Estchep, and elsewhere in the City for a term of ten years, for a trental of S. Gregory to be said each year in the aforesaid chapel for the good of his soul, the souls of his father and mother, Laurence his brother, and others. To John Poutrelle and Margery his wife, the testator's daughter, he leaves all his lands and tenements just mentioned in tail, saving the above rent. Dated London, 8 March, A.D. 1436.—Also he wills that his feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in Estneston, Toucestre, and Holcote<sup>2</sup> convey the same to John Bacoun, son of Laurence his brother, saving free easement of his chambers, horses, &c., at Estneston to John Poutrell and Margery aforesaid whenever they like to sojourn there. His feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen de Bermondseye, co. Surrey, to convey the same to the aforesaid John and Margery.

Roll 166 (9).

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

Jepe (RICHARD), Rector of the church of All Hallows de Honylane.—To be buried in his church. To Katherine his sister a tenement in the parish of S. Martin in the Vintry for life; remainder to the Prioress and Convent of Chesthunte, co. Herts. ....[The rest of the will is apparently lost.] Roll 166 (12).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

Rus (WILLIAM), Alderman<sup>3</sup> and goldsmith.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael upon Cornhill, to the rector and churchwardens of which church he leaves the reversion of certain lands, tenements, and rents within the parish after the decease of

<sup>1</sup> Easton Neston, near Towcester.

<sup>2</sup> Near Brixworth, co. Northampton.

<sup>3</sup> Of Cornhill Ward?

Isabella his wife; the issues and profits of the same to be disposed of in maintaining a chantry, observing his obit, providing lamps, and bread called "syngyngbrede,"<sup>1</sup> in the churches of S. Michael aforesaid and of S. Katherine near Cristehirch, and in divers gifts to the poor of the parish of S. Michael in manner prescribed.<sup>2</sup> The Alderman of the Ward of Cornhill for the time being to have ten shillings annually for attending his obit and seeing that the provisions of his will are carried out. In default the property is to go over to the Wardens or Masters of the Art of Goldsmithery in London and commonalty of the same for similar uses. Dated London, 5 June, A.D. 1433.

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Roll 166 (21).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

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1437-8.

**Aleyn** (MARGERY).—To be buried in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate. Bequests to the said church and the Fraternities of S. Giles and S. Loy;<sup>3</sup> also to John Balle, William Toucetre, and Thomas Martyn. Dated London, 4 October, A.D. 1424.

Roll 166 (39).

*Monday next after the Feast of Invention of H. Cross [3 May].*

A.D.  
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**Burton** (WILLIAM), grocer.—Testament touching certain lands and tenements in the parish of All Hallows de Berkyngchirch

<sup>1</sup> A name given to cakes or wafers marked with a cross and used in the celebration of mass, whence known also as houseling bread. Derivation uncertain, but probably so called either because its manufacture was accompanied by a singing noise, or because the priest sang during its consecration. A curious proclamation is recorded anno 1 Mary, by which the Mayor offers a reward of twenty marks for the discovery of the person who blasphemously, and in contempt of Christ's true religion, the Catholic faith, and the sacrament of the altar, hanged up a dead cat upon the gallows in the parish of S. Matthew in Cheapside, the crown thereof being shorn; a cloth like a vestment, with one cross on the fore part thereof, and another in the hinder part of the same, put upon it; and a piece of white paper like unto a *syngyng cake* bestowed between the forefeet of the same cat,

being bound together, and a bottle hanged by the same cat upon the said gallows (City Records, Jor. 16, fol. 285 b).

<sup>2</sup> From a report made to the Parochial Charities Commission in 1860, it appears that this and other estates given to the parish of S. Michael, Cornhill, were taken by the Crown as given to superstitious uses, and that the Commissioners of Woods and Forests paid the church annually 10*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.*, which formerly went in aid of the poor rate, but after 1855 was received by the senior churchwarden, and carried to the general church account, and not to the aid of the poor rate. The Report further states that it was proposed in future to direct that the money should be applied in gifts to the poor, to be made annually by the guardians (Report Royal City Parochial Charities Com., 1880, iii. 269).

<sup>3</sup> See note *supra*, p. 268.

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formerly belonging to Dame Margery Welton, widow, and afterwards to William Sevenok, grocer, and one of the Aldermen<sup>1</sup> of the City, which he leaves to the rector, vicar, churchwardens, and parishioners of the church of S. Nicholas de Sevenok, co. Kent, charged with the payment of five marks annually to some honest man, not in holy orders, to teach poor children of the parish in the message formerly belonging to William Sevenok, according to the terms of the will of the said William; and also with the payment of ten shillings yearly to each of thirteen poor men and women, at the discretion of the said rector, vicar, and wardens, living in cottages formerly belonging to the said William. The surplus of the issues and profits of the property to be kept in a box within the said church for any emergency that may arise touching the tenements. In default the property to go over to the next heir male of the said William Sevenok. Dated London, 4 January, A.D. 1437. Roll 166 (46).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

Osborn (RICHARD), Clerk of the Chamber of the City of London.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael de Bassyngeshawe, where Johanna his wife lies buried. To Agnes his wife shops, &c., in the lane called “Seintsitheslane”<sup>2</sup> in the parish of S. Benedict Shorhogge, and in Walbroke in the parish of S. John, for life by way of dower. To William his son he leaves the reversion of the above property, and also a tenement in the parish of S. Andrew upon Cornhull, in tail; remainder, as to the tenement in Walbroke, to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael de Bassyngeshawe for the maintenance of a light upon the common beam before the crucifix within the said church, and of a light to burn before the image of the Blessed Mary when *Salve Regina* is sung. His other tenements to be sold for pious and charitable uses. Also to his aforesaid son and to Elizabeth, wife of the same, he leaves divers rents in the parish of S. Martin Pomers in Irmongerlane and elsewhere.

<sup>1</sup> Of Tower Ward.

<sup>2</sup> The school was founded in accordance with the terms of his will (not enrolled in the Husting), dated 4 July, 1432, and incorporated by letters patent

of Queen Elizabeth, 1560. It has since been reconstructed under the Endowed Schools Act. The almshouses exist at the present day.

<sup>3</sup> Now Sise Lane. See note, p. 311.

To the Prior and Convent of the House of the Salutation of the Mother of God of the Carthusian Order near London certain rents in the parish of S. Mary de Abbechurch, on condition they observe the obit of Johanna Blounde on the day of the Exaltation of H. Cross [14 Sept.], with *Placebo* and *Dirige* by note overnight and *Requiem* mass on the morrow. The reversion of certain shops in the parish of S. Laurence in the Jewry to be sold for pious uses after the decease of Thomas Osborn, mercer, Alice, wife of the same, and Richard their son, without any heir of the body of the said Richard being left surviving. Dated London, 16 January, A.D. 1437. Roll 166 (66).

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*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

**Sprot** (ALEXANDER), vintner.—Testament touching his lands, tenements, rents, and services in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate. To the Prior of the Church of H. Trinity de Crichirche within Algate, rector of the church of S. Botolph aforesaid, and churchwardens of the said church of S. Botolph, he leaves certain tenements, called respectively “le Ship” and “le Wollesakke,” and also a tenement where formerly dwelt Robert Burford,<sup>1</sup> late bell-founder (*campanarius*), situate in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of John Romeney, late potter, Robert Burford, and others. In default the property to go over to the Master and Brethren of the Church of S. Thomas the Martyr de Acon near the Conduit, to execute his wishes aforesaid. Dated London, 21 June, A.D. 1438. Roll 167 (15).

**Scraynham** (RICHARD), tailor.—To be buried in S. Sepulchre’s churchyard without Neugate where Johanna his late wife lies buried. To Agnes his wife tenements and rents in the parish of S. Stephen in Colmanstret for life; remainder to William Hall, mercer, his kinsman. Also to his said wife his leasehold tenements and gardens in the parishes of S. Sepulchre aforesaid and

<sup>1</sup> Son of William Burford, the “belyeter,” whose will is enrolled *supra*, p. 301.

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**1438-9.** A.D. 1437. Roll 167 (19).

**A.D.** *Monday next after the Feast of Invention of H. Cross [3 May].*  
**1439.**

**Louthe** (ROBERT, son of ROBERT, late "joynour").—To Isabella his wife, by way of dower of his lands, tenements, and rents, he leaves a certain tenement in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermarie-church for life; also rents in the same parish and in Bircherlane in the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhull for life; remainder to Robert his son in tail. Also to the said Robert tenements in "Seint Sydes lane" in the parish of S. Antonin and elsewhere, charged with the observance of his obit in the church of S. Michael de Paternosterchirch; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, 1 August, A.D. 1419. Roll 167 (42).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Hunte** (WILLIAM), butcher.—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas at the Shambles. Bequests to the said church and ministers thereof, and the parish churches of Chidyingfold<sup>1</sup> and Hampstede; also to Agnes Hunte his kinswoman, John Grenehode, his servants, apprentices, and others. To Alice his wife a certain tenement in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid for life; remainder to Walter Hunte, grocer, his son. Also to his wife a tenement in S. Michael's Lane in the parish of S. Michael de Crokedlane, and shops, &c., in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid, for life. After her decease certain shops are to be sold for pious uses, whilst other property he leaves to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of a chantry and other conditions, in default of which the property is to be sold by his executors and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. His wife is also to enjoy a life estate in certain of his lands and tenements, held by free deed (*per liberam cartam*) or by court roll, in Kylbourne and elsewhere in the county of Middlesex, without impeachment of waste; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 15 April, A.D. 1438. Roll 167 (43).

<sup>1</sup> Near Haslemere, co. Surrey.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

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**Wedynghon (ROBERT)**, grocer.—To be buried in the church of S. Magnus near London Bridge where his parents lie buried. Bequest for the maintenance of a chantry in the said church for the space of three years next after his decease. The residue of his goods and chattels, after bequests to his executors and others, he leaves to Elizabeth his wife. Dated 1 August, A.D. 1437.—Also he wills that his feoffees in trust of the manors of Snodelond and Hallyng, co. Kent, convey a life estate in the same to his aforesaid wife, that his executors sell the reversion and his feoffees make a good title to the purchaser thereof. The proceeds to be devoted to the repair of foundrous ways (*viarum profundarum*) and other pious and charitable uses. Roll 167 (50).

**Meryvale (RICHARD)**, vintner.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Magdalen de Suthwerk. Certain cellars and solars near Palmereslane<sup>1</sup> and Erberlane<sup>2</sup> in the parish of S. Martin in the Vintry (which he had formerly acquired jointly with others, who had afterwards released the same to him) to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to bestowing marriage portions upon poor girls, the repair of highways, and other pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 5 April, A.D. 1437.—Also he wills that if the men of the Mistery of Vintners of the City of London become incorporated by the King, and capable of holding lands and tenements, within two years next after his decease, his feoffees in trust of certain houses and shops in the parish of S. Edmund the King and Martyr in Lombardstrete<sup>3</sup> shall so arrange matters that one of them shall become solely seised of the said property, so as to be able to devise the same to the wardens or masters of the said mistery, to hold the same for the relief of the poor of the said mistery,<sup>4</sup> otherwise the individual so solely seised is to devise the

<sup>1</sup> Afterwards called Anchor Lane, where the Plumbers had their hall, being tenants of the Vintners.

<sup>2</sup> "Now, on the Thames' side, west from Grantham's Lane, have ye Herber Lane or Brikels' Lane, so called of John Brikels, sometime owner thereof" (Stow).

<sup>3</sup> A charter was granted to the Vintners, dated 22 August, 15 Henry VI., A.D. 1437, a few months after the date

of this will, and the property passed to the Company, who, in their return made to the Livery Companies Commission appointed in 1880, state that it now forms part of the bank of Messrs. Barclay, Bevan, Tritton & Co.

<sup>4</sup> The whole income is distributed yearly among the poor members of the Company in pensions and donations (Report Livery Companies Com., 1884,

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property to the Wardens to the use of London Bridge and their successors by the name of the "Mayor or Warden and Commonalty for the maintenance of London Bridge," for pious uses in the chapel upon the bridge. His executors to sell his lands and tenements at Lytlyngton<sup>1</sup> and Stepilmordon<sup>2</sup> for pious uses, and his feoffees in trust thereof to give a good title to the purchaser.

Roll 167 (55).

NOTE.—The above will was made an exhibit in Chancery *in re* Attorney-General *v.* Fishmongers' Company.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Barre (JOHN)**, otherwise called "Markeley," skinner.—To be buried in the church of the Friars Minors. To Alice his wife the residue of his goods and chattels. To Master William Kyrkeby, the rector of the parish church of S. John upon Walbrook, and to John Milton and others, skimmers, Wardens of the Fraternity of the Blessed Mary in the Art of Skinners of London founded within the said parish church, an annual quitrent issuing from lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Stephen upon Walbrooke and S. Mildred in the Poultry, for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. John aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Robert Markeley, late skinner, and others. Also to Alice his wife he leaves the aforesaid lands and tenements, charged with the above quitrent, for life; remainder to the rector and wardens aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of a chantry, observance of his obit, &c., in manner directed, the residue of the issues and profits to be devoted to the maintenance of vestments, lights, &c., belonging to the said fraternity, and to the relief of poor brethren. In default the property is to go over to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of London to carry out the terms of his will. Dated London, 8 June, A.D. 1439. Roll 167 (59).

**Sprot (ALEXANDER)**, vintner.—Testament touching lands and

vol. ii. p. 644). Mr. Hare, in his Report upon this and other charities of the Company in 1863, points out that the moneys then appropriated for the poor of the Company and paid out of Meryvale's Charity, so far as that

extended, was upwards of 1200*l.* per annum, being a surplus of 300*l.* beyond the income (Report Livery Companies Com., 1884, vol. iv. p. 555).

<sup>1</sup> Co. Cambridge.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Cambridge.



tenements in the parish of All Hallows de Honylane and in Berchenlane in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, which he leaves to Sir Robert Oppy, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of All Hallows aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of All Hallows aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of John Furneux, Katherine, wife of the same, and others, as directed. In default the property to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty for like purposes. Dated London, 16 September, A.D. 1430.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Trystour** (WILLIAM), saddler.—To be buried in the church of S. Vedast de Westchepe. To Rosa his wife certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Vedast in Goderounlane for life; remainder to Sir William Jakes, the rector of the said church, and his successors, on condition they maintain a chantry in the said church, and observe his obit, &c., in manner directed. In default the property is to go over to the Mayor, Commonalty, and Chamberlain of the Guildhall, to carry out the terms of his will. To John his brother certain rents issuing from tenements held by the Prior and Convent of S. Neot<sup>1</sup> in the county of Huntingdon. Dated London, 12 April, A.D. 1425.

Roll 168 (1).

*Monday next before Feast of S. Edmund, K. and M. [20 Nov.].*

**Sylkeston** (RALPH), grocer.—To be buried in the church of S. Dionisius de Bakchirch. To Thomas Shrubbe, grocer, and Katherine his wife, daughter of the testator, a tenement called "le Squerell" and shop in the parish of S. Dionisius aforesaid for their lives; remainder over. Mention made of William his son and Johanna his daughter. Dated London, 14 October, A.D. 1434.

Roll 168 (7).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*

**Chichele** (ROBERT), grocer.—Leaves all his tenements in the

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<sup>1</sup> A cell to the Abbey of Bec, in Normandy.

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**1439-40.** parish of S. Antonin to the Master or Warden of the College of S. Mary and SS. Thomas the Martyr and Edward the Confessor, newly founded at Hieghamferrers<sup>1</sup> by his brother Henry, Archbishop of Canterbury, for the relief of the poor in the hospital there, so that the said master or warden, chaplains, and poor pray for his soul, the souls of Thomas and Agnes his parents, William More, Elizabeth, Agnes, and Agnes his wives, William Chichele his brother and Beatrix, wife of the same, and others, and also keep his obit with services and charitable distributions as directed. Dated London, 17 December, A.D. 1438.

Roll 168 (14).

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**1440.** *Monday next before the Feast of S. Alphege, Bishop [19 April].*

**Farnell (ALEXANDER)**, tailor.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael in Crokedlane. To Margaret his wife his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Michael in Crokedlane and S. Giles without Crepulgate for life; remainder in trust for sale for charitable uses. His lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Martin in the Vintry, S. Nicholas Acon, S. "Oluff" in "Syrverstret,"<sup>2</sup> and S. Alban in Wodestrete to be also sold to fulfil his testament. Margaret his wife to be paid an annuity of twenty pounds by his executors, and in default of such payment she is to "reiose"<sup>3</sup> the tenements in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid in fee. To John his brother an annuity of five marks. Dated 4 September, A.D. 1439. Roll 168 (39).

**NOTE.**—The above will is in English, and is the first of the kind on the Rolls.

## ANNO 19 HENRY VI.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Kiliacus, Pope [14 Oct.].*

**Symmes (WILLIAM)**, grocer.—Testament touching his tenement in the parish of S. Antonin, which he leaves to Margaret Holbeche, Prioress of the House of S. Leonard at Stratford atte Bowe, and

<sup>1</sup> Co. Northampton. Abp. Chichele here founded a college for eight secular chaplains or canons (whereof one was to be master), four clerks (whereof one was to be grammar master and another was to teach music), and six choristers.

The college was dedicated to the Virgin Mary, S. Thomas of Canterbury, and S. Edward the Confessor (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.,' p. 388).

<sup>2</sup> Silver Street.

<sup>3</sup> Rejoice or enjoy.

convent of the same, on condition the said prioress and convent will pray for his soul and the souls of John Warde, John Clenhond, and others, and duly observe their obits on the Feast of S. Mary Magdalen [22 July] in manner prescribed. Dated London, 5 October, A.D. 1436. Roll 169 (13).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Botolph, Abbot [17 June].*

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**Sprot (ALEXANDER)**, vintner.—Testament touching his lands and tenements in Watlyngstrete in the parish of S. Augustine near S. Paul's Gate, which he leaves to William Okeborne, the rector, and churchwardens of the said parish church and their successors, to the use of the said church and maintenance of its fabric and ornaments, charged with a service or rent of eighteen shillings to the Prior and Convent of S. Bartholomew in West-smythfeld. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of his will the property is to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London to the use, maintenance, and repair of the fabrio of London Bridge. Dated London, 21 September, A.D. 1438. Roll 169 (49).

#### ANNO 20 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Kalixtus, Pope [14 Oct.].*

**Kynder (HUGH)**, tailor.—Testament touching a quitrent issuing from a certain tenement in Pety Wales in the parish of All Hallows, Barking, which he leaves to the Abbot and Convent of the exempt<sup>1</sup> Monastery of the Holy Cross at Waltham, co. Essex. His executors to see that his will is enrolled in the Husting of London. Dated London, 4 April, 19 Henry VI. [A.D. 1441].

Roll 170 (5).

**Chichele (ROBERT)**, grocer.—To be buried according to directions contained in his will touching his movable goods. To Sir William Huntynghdon, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of S. James de Garlikhithe, he leaves a tenement situate upon posts on a wharf (*super postes super Wharvum*) in the parishes of S. Martin in the Vintry and S. James de Garlekheth,

<sup>1</sup> *I. e.*, from episcopal jurisdiction, and subject only to the Pope.

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between Stodyeslane<sup>1</sup> and Cressynghamlane, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes and Agnes his wives, William More and Elizabeth, wife of the same, and others, and also with observance of his obit, with gifts to the poor of the parish, &c., in manner prescribed.<sup>2</sup> In case of default made in carrying out the terms of the legacy the property is to go over to the Mayor, Commonalty, and Chamberlain of the Guildhall to carry them out. Dated London, 17 December, A.D. 1438. Roll 170 (6).

Redenhale (JOHN), esquire.—To be buried in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate. Certain lands and tenements acquired from Thomas Morstede and John Beford, and situate in the parishes of S. Giles without Crepulgate, S. Stephen in Colmanstrete, S. Margaret Moisi in Fridaystret, and elsewhere, to be sold by his executors.<sup>3</sup> Dated London, 15 August, A.D. 1438.

Roll 170 (8).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

Barton (HENRY), skinner.—To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Augustine at S. Paul's Gate an annual quit-rent of forty shillings, charged on lands and tenements in the parish of S. Dunstan in le Est in Tourestrete, in aid of a chantry founded in the same church by Henry Rede, late armourer, and for other pious and charitable uses in manner prescribed. In case of default being made in maintaining the said chantry the quit-rent is to go over to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City of London to the use and maintenance of London Bridge, to carry out the terms of the bequest. Ralph his brother

<sup>1</sup> "Next is Spittle lane, of old time so called, since Stodie's lane, of the owner thereof named Stodie. Sir John Stodie, vintner, Mayor in the year 1357, gave it.....unto the Vintners; the Vintners built for themselves a fair hall, and also thirteen almshouses there for thirteen poor people, which are kept of charity rent free" (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 90).

<sup>2</sup> Stow says of the testator that he appointed by his testament that on his "minde day" a competent dinner should

be ordained for 2,400 poor men, householders of the City of London, and that each man should receive twopence in money ('Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 42). No such directions appear in either of the wills here enrolled, but there is a possibility of their having been inserted in his will touching his movables. He is further said to have given the site for the parish church of S. Stephen, Walbrook.

<sup>3</sup> What is to be done with the proceeds does not appear.

appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 11 September,  
A.D. 1432. Roll 170 (9).

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Kyllyk (JOHN), vintner. — To be buried in the church of S. Martin in the Vintry. To the Masters or Wardens of the Mistery of Vintners of the Fraternity of S. Martin in the Vintry and commonalty of the said mistery and their successors, he leaves divers lands and tenements in the parish of S. Edmund the King and Martyr in Lombardstrete, which he had jointly acquired with others, now deceased, by deed enrolled in the Husting,<sup>1</sup> to hold the same in pure and perpetual arms for the relief of the poor brethren of the mistery.<sup>2</sup> Dated London, 8 January, A.D. 1438. Roll 170 (10).

NOTE.—The above will was made an exhibit in the Court of Chancery *in re* Attorney-General *v.* Fishmongers' Company.

*Monday the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

Hunte (ANDREW), girdler.—Testament touching two tenements and a parcel of land with entrance gate under the solar of Matilda, wife of Thomas Maundeville, in the parish of S. Michael de Bassyngeshawe, which he leaves to the vicar of the church of S. Laurence in Old Jewry and to the Wardens of the Mistery of Girdlers in the City of London and their successors, charged with the maintenance of certain tapers and observance of his obit within the aforesaid church. Two chambers on the ground floor to be reserved for two poor members of the mistery who have the livery of the same, and sevenpence to be paid weekly to the poorer of the two.<sup>3</sup> In case of default made in carrying out the terms of his will the property is to go over to the Mayor and Recorder of the City of London, in trust for sale for the good of his soul and for charitable gifts to the poor of the Mistery of Girdlers. Dated London, 24 January, A.D. 1431.

Roll 170 (13).

<sup>1</sup> Roll 149 (25).

<sup>2</sup> No mention of this gift appears in Mr. Hare's Report on the charities of the Company in 1863, nor in the return made by the Company to the Livery Companies Commission of 1880.

<sup>3</sup> The only real estate in the City

owned by the Girdlers' Company appears to be in Basinghall Street, but how and when it was acquired the Company say they do not know (Return made to Livery Companies Commission appointed in 1880, vol. iii. p. 460).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Ryffawe or Reefhawe (JOHN)**, "wodemonger."—To be buried according to directions contained in his testament touching his movables. To Roger and William his sons respectively a moiety of certain tenements and wharf in the parish of S. Andrew at Baynardescastell, in several tail with cross remainders. To Margaret his wife a mansion in Athelyngstrete in the aforesaid parish for life by way of dower; remainder to Johanna and Elena his daughters in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. If his wife decline to accept the above in satisfaction of dower, the devise is to be void, and she to take of his lands and tenements such dower as the law allows. Dated London, 5 January, A.D. 1440.

A codicil whereby he annuls the devise to his aforesaid sons of certain tenements and wharf in the parish of S. Andrew aforesaid in equal moieties, and leaves the same to Margaret his wife and Johanna his daughter, and to the heirs of the body of the said Johanna, with further remainders to his aforesaid sons. This codicil to be attached to his previous testament, and to be canonically approved and enrolled in the Husting of London. Dated Tuesday, 24 October, A.D. 1441. Roll 170 (16).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

**Dursle (THOMAS)**, fishmonger.—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Margaret de Briggestrete. To Sir Henry Haunsard, the rector, and churchwardens of the said church, he leaves a certain shop in Briggestrete, charged with observing the obit of Hugh Reybreed and of Johanna, wife of the same, in manner prescribed; a portion of the issues and profits of the same to be devoted to the maintenance of a chantry, wax tapers, &c., as well as the repair of the image of S. Christopher in the churchyard aforesaid, and of the gateway beyond the said image. In default the property to go over to the Masters of the Fraternity of S. Peter in the church of S. Peter upon Cornhill and brethren and sisters of the same in aid of the said fraternity. Dated London, 10 March, A.D. 1428. Roll 170 (40).

**Dursle (THOMAS)**, fishmonger.—Testament touching his lands

and tenements in the City of London, he having already made a will disposing of his movables. To Johanna his wife all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Edmund the King in Lumbardstrete for life; remainder to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Margaret in Briggestrete for the maintenance of a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of John and Johanna his parents, Johanna his wife when dead, and others, so long as the issues and profits are sufficient. Dated London, 27 September, A.D. 1438.—His will touching a garden near Horsedoun<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen near Bermondsey is that his feoffee in trust of the same shall make a good life estate in the same to Johanna his wife whenever desired; remainder to be sold for charitable uses. Roll 170 (41).

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Rykhurst (ROBERT), butcher, otherwise called "Brounesbury."—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas at the Shambles. To Sir Robert Pyryngton, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of S. Leonard de Estchep, he leaves certain houses, &c., in the parish of S. Leonard aforesaid, in aid of a chantry in the said church for the souls of the brethren and sisters or benefactors, for the maintenance of certain lights, and charged with the observance of an obit once a year for the good of his soul, the souls of John Knyght, late butcher, Margery, wife of the same, and others. A further bequest of an annual rent of thirty-four shillings for maintenance of a chantry for the souls of John Brounesbury, Johanna, Alice, and Isabella, wives of the same, John the father and Eva the mother of the same, and others. Dated London, 20 July, A.D. 1434. Roll 170 (42).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agnes, Virgin [21 Jan.].*

Colston (WILLIAM), "plommer."—Testament touching a certain brewery called "le Bole on le hoop" at Tourhill in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate, which he leaves to Agnes, daughter

<sup>1</sup> Various spelt "Horseydown," "Horsadown," "Horselydown," &c. So called from its being used as a grazing field for horses and cattle. A popular legend exists attributing its name to a belief that the horse of King John lay down with that monarch upon his back, hence *horse-lie-down*. It was at one time the name of a street, but is now that of a district. Near it was Horse-lydown Fair Street, described as a considerable street between Paris Street and Tooley Street and Five Foot Lane, Southwark.

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**1441-2.** of William Sampson, late fishmonger, for life ; remainder to Dame Margaret, Abbess of the House of the Sisters Minoresses of the Order of S. Clare without Algate, and convent of the same. Mention made of Matilda his late wife. Dated London, 20 June, A.D. 1441. Roll 170 (49).

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**1442.** *Monday next after the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Hunte (ANDREW)**, girdler.—To Master William Fallan, the rector of the church of S. Magnus, and the Wardens of the Fraternity of *Salve Regina* established therein and their successors, he leaves certain lands, tenements, and rents in the parishes of S. Magnus de Briggestrete, S. Mildred de Bredestrete, and elsewhere, to the use of the said fraternity and maintenance of its light, its ornaments, and its poor members. Dated London, 28 September, A.D. 1440. Roll 170 (50).

Here follows a record of the admission of the testator—who is described as son of William Hunte, late pouch-maker (*bursarius*), and as having been apprenticed to Henry Northfolk, girdler—into the freedom of the City by redemption, 27 July, 10 Richard II. [A.D. 1386].

**Perveys (JOHN)**, fishmonger, and Alderman<sup>1</sup> of the City of London.—To be buried in the church of S. Margaret de Briggestrete. Bequests for the fabric, &c., of the said church, and for the maintenance of a chantry therein for the good of his soul, the souls of John his father, Alice his mother, and others, for a term of six years next after his decease. To John and Henry his sons two hundred pounds respectively ; if they both die under age, the money to be devoted to pious uses, the seven works of mercy, and repair of roads near London, &c. To Robert his brother, residing at Abendon, co. Berks, forty pounds. To Johanna his wife, by way of dower of his movables, fifty pounds and her personal apparel and ornaments ; also all his lands and tenements within the City of London for life, with remainder to John and Henry his sons in successive tail ; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Bequests to his apprentices, servants, and others. Dated London, 25 March, A.D. 1434.—Also his will is that his feoffees of his manor of Benchesham in the

<sup>1</sup> Of Castle Baynard Ward.



parish of Croydon, co. Surrey, shall make an estate tail in the same to his son John; remainder to the said feoffees for sale, the proceeds being devoted to the seven works of mercy.—Also he wills that his feoffees of his lands and tenements at Biggyng<sup>1</sup> in the parish of Croydon aforesaid make a similar estate in the same to Henry his son, with similar remainder. Roll 170 (51).

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**Ingram (JOHN)**, fishmonger.—To be buried according to directions contained in his will touching his movables. To Ela his wife certain lands and tenements in Distafane in the parish of S. Nicholas Coldeabbey, and in “Eldenelane,” “Eldedeneslane,” or “Elvedenelane”<sup>2</sup> in the parish of S. Faith, for life; remainder to Agnes his daughter in tail; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds to be devoted to pious and charitable uses as well as to the maintenance of the ornaments more especially of the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid, in manner prescribed. Also to his said wife his lands and tenements in the vills of Hampstede, Eccles near the sea, Happesburgh, and Ingham, co. Norfolk, and also his copyhold house called “Fyssshows” at Lowystoft. Dated London, 5 October, A.D. 1441. Roll 170 (52).

**Megre (EMMA)**, relict of JOHN, “peautrer”).—Testament touching her tenements in Shetebouruelane<sup>3</sup> in the parish of S. Mary Abbechirche, and in the parishes of S. Mary Wolnoth near Candelwykstrete and S. Mary Wolnoth in Lombardstrete, which she leaves to Sir James Forster, the rector, churchwardens and other parishioners of the church of S. Mary Wolnoth aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of certain torches and tapers; the residue of the issues and profits, after payments for repairs, &c., to be devoted to the ornaments of the chapel of S. John the Baptist and S. John the Evangelist, where she is to be buried, within the church aforesaid. In case of default the property is to go over to the Wardens of the Fraternity of S. Giles in aid of

<sup>1</sup> There appears to be a “Biggens Farm” at the present day in the vicinity of Norwood, and not far from Croydon.

<sup>2</sup> Now Warwick Lane, leading into Newgate Street. Among the archives of S. Paul’s there is preserved a demise

by the Dean and Chapter to John Harpefeld, Archdeacon of London, of their great messuage “in the lane of old tyme cauled Alden’s lane but now cauled Warwick lane,” 10 May, 1555.

<sup>3</sup> Now Sherborn Lane. As to the mode of spelling, see note *supra*, p. 136.

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the perpetual chantry, and relief of poor members, of the said fraternity. Dated London, 4 October, A.D. 1435.

Roll 170 (56).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Turbelvylle (DAVID)**, vintner.—Testament touching the disposal of a tenement in the parish of S. Margaret Patyns, which he leaves to Johanna his wife for life, charged with the yearly payment of ten shillings for the observance of his obit in the said parish church; remainder to Matilda his daughter in tail; remainder to Sir Richard Brak, the rector, churchwardens and other parishioners of the church of S. Margaret aforesaid, subject to the above charge.<sup>1</sup> In case of default made in carrying out the conditions of the devise the property is to go over to the Wardens or Masters and Commonalty of the Mistery of Vintners for the relief of its poor brethren. Dated London, 12 April, A.D. 1433.—Also his will is that his co-foffees in trust of lands and tenements in the vills and parishes of Est Tillebury and West Tillebury, co. Essex, shall make a life estate in the same to Johanna his wife for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Margaret aforesaid for the space of two years next after his decease, and another chantry in the church of S. Margaret de Tillebury for the space of one year, with remainder to Matilda his daughter in tail.

Roll 170 (61).

**Hill (JOHN)**, senior, “pynner.”—Testament touching certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Brigid in Fletestrete, which he leaves to Thomas Faulkys, the rector, and churchwardens of the said parish church and their successors, except three shops which he devises to John Hill junior, esquire, charged

<sup>1</sup> Mr. Hare, in his Report on the charities of the parish of S. Margaret Pattens in 1860, says that the Commissioners of Inquiry were unable to ascertain the sources of the parish estate. He himself caused a search to be made in the parish church, which resulted in the discovery of a document dated 1470, setting out a record of a resolution made by the parson and churchwardens to have the parish evidences properly en-

tered into a book. “This is followed,” says Mr. Hare, “by four pages of writing in ancient court hand, and in Latin used at that day, which will require the assistance of persons professionally conversant with such writing accurately to translate; but they appear to be instruments under which the parish acquired or held portions of the real property” (Report City Parochial Charities Com., 1880, vol. iii. p. 228).

with the maintenance of a chantry, observance of his obit, &c., in manner prescribed. Dated London, 7 October, A.D. 1437.

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Roll 170 (64).

## ANNO 21 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

Welles<sup>1</sup> (JOHN), grocer, and Alderman of the City of London.—To be buried in the chapel of SS. John the Baptist and John the Evangelist which he built in the church of S. Antonin. Bequest for observance of his obit and those of Margery his late wife and others for the space of thirty years next after his decease, specific sums of the bequest being paid by the Wardens of the Mistery and Commonalty of Grocers of the City of London to the Mayor, Sheriffs, and Swordbearer of the City, and to each of the three Wardens of the Grocers attending his obit. Among other bequests are the following:—For the new making and erection of a certain standard in Westchepe,<sup>2</sup> the boundary of his ward, fifty marks; twenty pounds sterling for the repair of aqueduct and conduit, and a similar sum for the repair of London Bridge. His feoffees of lands and tenements in Tourestrete are directed to make a good estate in the same to the Wardens of the Mistery and Commonalty of the Grocers of the City of London, for the relief of the poor of the mistery, living in a newly erected tenement near their hall in the parish of S. Mildred in the Poultry,

<sup>1</sup> Of Langbourn Ward. Sheriff, 1420; Mayor, 1431, not, as stated by Stow, in 1433. He took an active part in the building of the Guildhall College and Chapel, and is said to have left a sum of money by will for glazing the east window of the chapel (Price's 'Hist. Account of the Guildhall,' p. 121). No specific bequest for this purpose appears in his will as enrolled, but his executors a few months after his decease covenanted to build a great window at the east end of the chapel, a presbytery, two niches for images, and an altar approached with marble steps, out of his effects (City Records, Jor. 3, fol. 151 b). He was buried in the Guildhall Chapel, and his name commemorated by "the likeness of wells" engraved both on his tomb and on the east window

(Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 103).

<sup>2</sup> Soon after the testator's death his executors obtained licence from the Crown, confirmed by Parliament, to replace the old Standard in Cheap, which had become very ruinous, with "another competent standard of stone, together with a conduit in the same." The date of the erection of the first Standard Stow was unable to discover (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 99).

<sup>3</sup> No information touching the property here devised appears to be given either in Mr. Hare's Report on the charities of the Grocers' Company, made in 1863, or in the Company's own return to the Livery Companies Commission appointed in 1880.

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so that the said wardens duly observe his obit. Certain lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Mary Magdalen near the Old Fish Market, S. Peter near Pouleswharf, S. Michael de Paternoster-chirche in the Rirole, and S. Swithun in Candelwykstrete to be sold for pious and charitable uses, and his feoffees in trust of the same to make a good title to the purchaser. His manor of Sippenham in the parish of Leuesham, co. Kent, to be likewise sold, saving an annuity of forty shillings to William Osborn. His leasehold mansion and shop in the parish of S. Antonin to be sold to some honest man of his mistery and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 7 June, A.D. 1442.

Roll 171 (2).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Ambrose, Bishop [4 April].*

Eyr (JOHANNA), widow.—To be buried according to directions contained in her will touching her movables. A certain tenement in the parish of S. Antonin in Watlyngstrete to be sold in aid of a chantry founded in her other will. Her son Thomas to have her lands and tenements in the street of Lothebury in the parish of S. Margaret (except a tenement which she leaves to Thomas Scales), provided he pay to her executors the sum of thirty pounds out of the forty pounds which she had expended upon the recovery of certain lands and tenements in the vills and parishes of Teaston<sup>1</sup> and Barmelynge,<sup>2</sup> co. Kent, which lands and tenements she also leaves to her said son in tail; remainder to William Moille and Margaret his wife in special tail. Also to the said Thomas she leaves her reversionary interest in two tenements and shops in Bredstret in the parish of All Hallows in tail; remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Mary Wolnoth in Lumbardestrete. Dated London, 8 January, A.D. 1442.

Roll 171 (26).

Hildy (JOHN), "pulter."<sup>3</sup>—To Sir John Saxton, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Mildred in the Poultry, he leaves his brewery called "le Cok," situate near the tenement

<sup>1</sup> Teston, near Maidstone.<sup>2</sup> Barming.<sup>3</sup> Poulterer.

of Thomas Haseley called "le Compter,"<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Mildred, so that out of the issues and profits they duly observe the obits of Richard Merlowe and of Alexander Bartelot, late "pulter," in manner prescribed, for the good of the souls of the said Richard, Margaret and Agnes his wives, the said Alexander, Emma and Alice his wives, and others. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of the devise the property is to go over to the Wardens of the Fraternity or Guild of Corpus Christi in the chapel of S. Mary de Conynghopelane<sup>2</sup> for similar purposes. Dated London, 16 July, A.D. 1441. Roll 171 (32).

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*Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Thomas, Martyr [7 July].*

Holym (MARGARET, wife of JOHN), formerly wife and executrix of John Tetford, brewer.—Makes her will with the permission of her then husband, with a view to carrying out the several wishes of her former husband, her co-executors having died. Desires to be buried in the church of S. Laurence Pounteney near her late husband. Appoints executors to carry out the wishes of her late husband, and John Carpenter, Clerk of the Commonalty of the City of London, to survey them. Dated London, 4 December, A.D. 1436. Roll 171 (35).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

Aston (JOHN), fishmonger. — To be buried in the church of S. Sepulchre without Newgate. To Matilda his wife all his lands and tenements in the suburbs of the City for life, so long as she remain unmarried; remainders as to the whole, or, in case of remarriage, as to a moiety, to the Masters and Commonalty of the Art of Fishmongers of the City of London, charged with the maintenance of a chantry within the church of S. Sepulchre aforesaid for the space of one year next after his decease, and

<sup>1</sup> "Compters" was the name given to prisons belonging to the Sheriffs, one of which was situate in the Poultry, and the other in Wood Street, afterwards removed to Giltspur Street.

<sup>2</sup> West of the Compter mentioned in the will there was, says Stow, "a proper chapel, called of Corpus Christi and St. Mary, at Conyhope lane end.....in

which Chapel was a guild or fraternity that might dispend in lands better than twenty pounds by year; it was suppressed by Henry VIII. and purchased by Thomas Hobson, haberdasher; he turned this chapel into a fair warehouse and shops towards the street, with lodgings over them" ("Survey," Thoms's ed., p. 99).

A.D. 1443. with the perpetual observance of his obit in manner prescribed.<sup>1</sup> Dated London, 2 July, A.D. 1436. Roll 171 (42).

## ANNO 22 HENRY VI.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Staunton (JOHN)**, brewer.—To be buried in S. John the Baptist's Chapel in the church of S. Sepulchre without Newgate. To Matilda his wife and John his son all his lands, tenements, rents, and services in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid, in Holbourne in the parish of S. Andrew, or elsewhere; also the residue of his goods and chattels in equal portions. Dated London, 13 March, A.D. 1418. Roll 172 (3).

**Aston (MATILDA, relict of JOHN, fishmonger)**.—To be buried near her late husband in the church of S. Sepulchre without Newgate. Certain tenements in Holbornstrete in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid to be sold for pious uses, and the Abbot and Convent of S. Mary of Graces near the Tower to have the right of pre-emption. To the Masters and Commonalty of the Art of Fishmongers of the City of London she leaves the rents of her lands and tenements in the same street and parish, on condition they observe her obit in the aforesaid church, and do not implead her executors by reason of any gift or devise made by her late husband. Dated London, Monday, 15 October, A.D. 1436.

Roll 172 (4).

**Depden (THOMAS)**, "plomer."—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas Shambles near the place where John Broke, his late master, lies buried. To the Prior and Convent of the Hospital of S. Mary de Els yngspitell within Crepulgate he leaves a certain messuage called "le Shippe on the hoop," in the parish of All Hallows de Berkyngchirche (situate near a tenement belonging to

<sup>1</sup> From Mr. Hare's Report on the Fishmongers' Company in 1861 we learn that the testator left to the Company certain premises in the suburbs of London, "which appear by a document in the Record Office, Guildhall, to have been three messuages and gardens in St. Andrew, Holborn, three messuages and one garden in St. Sepulchre without Newgate, and four messuages and one garden in St. Botolph without Aldgate" (Livery Companies Commissioners' Report, 1884, vol. iv. p. 224). A rent-charge of thirteen shillings and fourpence in respect of the property here devised appears to be paid annually by the Company to the parish of S. Sepulchre (*id.*, vol. ii. p. 212).

John Carpenter, late Clerk<sup>1</sup> of the Guildhall), in accordance with the terms of the last will of John Moysaunt, carpenter. Dated London, 24 August, A.D. 1440. Roll 172 (7).

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*Monday next after the Feast of Conception of V. Mary [8 Dec.].*

**Mathiew** (JOHANNA, relict of ROGER).—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Giles without Crepilgate before the church porch. To Henry Reson tenements and gardens in Goldynglane in the parish of S. Giles aforesaid in fee. Dated 4 April, A.D. 1439. Roll 172 (12).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

**Santon** (STEPHEN), bowyer.—To be buried in the principal chancel of the church of S. Olave in Suthwerk. To Johanna his daughter for her marriage one hundred marks. Dated London, 15 June, A.D. 1440.—Also his will is that his feoffees in trust of certain houses and gardens in Grubbestrete in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate shall make a life estate in the same to Johanna his wife; remainder to his aforesaid daughter in tail.

Roll 172 (32).

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# ANNO 23 HENRY VI.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Stile** (JOHN), senior, vintner.—To be buried in the churchyard commonly called "Pardonchirchawe," near S. Paul's Cathedral Church. To John Stile junior, vintner, his son, and to Margaret, wife of the same, his leasehold interest in a hostel called "Pouleshede,"<sup>2</sup> situate near Poulescheyne in the parish of S. Gregory, held under the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's. To

<sup>1</sup> He appears to have resigned the office of Common Clerk between 1436 and 1438, for we find John Barnet elected Common Clerk 4 October, 17 Henry VI., A.D. 1438 (Jor. 3, fol. 172).

<sup>2</sup> "Then higher up, near the south chain of Paules churchyard, is the Paule Head tavern, which house, with the appurtenances, was of old time called Paules brewhouse, for that the same was so employed, but been since left off,

and let out" (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 137). In 1456 the Dean and Chapter assigned it to Master William Radcliff, Canon Residentiary and Stagiary, for so long time as he should live and continue to be a canon. It is described in the assignment as situate opposite S. Paul's bakehouse (Hist. MSS. Com., Ninth Report, Appendix, p. 27 a).

**A.D.** Helena his wife for life, if she remain chaste and unmarried, he  
**1444.** leaves a certain tenement in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen in Oldfishstrete, saving a chamber therein for the use of George Stile his son. Also to his said son the reversion of the said tenement in tail; remainder to John his son in tail; remainder to John Stile his brother in tail; remainder in trust for sale, the proceeds being devoted to the ornaments and works of the parish church of Heston,<sup>1</sup> and to the relief of the poor of the said parish. To the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's he leaves certain shops in the parish of S. Bartholomew the Less<sup>2</sup> in the Ward of Bradstrete, in aid of a chantry founded in S. Paul's Church for the soul of Sir Thomas Evere, a former Dean.<sup>3</sup> Dated London, 14 August, A.D. 1442. Roll 173 (10).

**A.D.** *Monday next before the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*  
**1444-5.** **Trillowe (JOHN)**, senior, chandler.—To be buried in the church of S. James de Garlekhithe according to the terms of his will touching his movables. To Sir William Huntyngdon, the rector, churchwardens and certain parishioners of the above church, a certain tenement in Knyghtriderstrete in the parish of H. Trinity the Less, in aid of a chantry in the aforesaid church for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his wife, Thomas Coffyn, Johanna and Isabella, wives of the same, and others. Also to the same certain rents in aid of a chantry for the souls of Thomas de Okham, William Venour, Mabel, wife of the same, and others. Dated London, 21 March, A.D. 1439. Roll 173 (17).

**A.D.** *Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Benedict, Abbot [11 July].*  
**1445.** **Stoke (RALPH)**, grocer.—To Sir Thomas Wollor, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary Bothehawe, an annual rent of eleven marks issuing from lands and tenements in Cornhill and Birchenlane in the parish of S. Michael upon Cornhill and also in the parish of S. Leonard in Estchep, on condition they maintain a chantry in the church of S. Mary aforesaid for the good of his

<sup>1</sup> Near Osterley Park.

<sup>2</sup> Little S. Bartholomew or S. Bartholomew by the Exchange.

<sup>3</sup> Among the archives of S. Paul's Cathedral is a grant by Sir Thomas's executors to the Dean and Chapter of

property in the parish of S. Matthew, Friday Street, for the maintenance of a chaplain who should celebrate daily for his soul in the chapel of S. Thomas the Martyr in the New Work (Hist. MSS. Com., Ninth Report, Appendix, p. 54 a).



soul, the souls of Hugh Fastolf and Johanna, wife of the same, Paul Boteler, John Jesors and Agnes, wife of the same, and others, in manner prescribed. In default the rent to go over to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Swithun for like purposes; remainder, in case of default, to the church of S. John upon Walbroke, with further remainder to the Mayor or Warden of the City and Chamberlain of the same for similar pious and charitable uses in Guildhall Chapel. Dated London, 10 May, A.D. 1445. Roll 173 (39).

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## ANNO 24 HENRY VI.

A.D.  
1445-6.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Maur, Abbot [15 Jan.].*

**Fitz Robert** (ROBERT, son of ROBERT, late grocer).—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Aldermarichirche under the stone where lies the body of Margaret his late wife, daughter of Robert Comberton, esquire. To Margaret his wife all his lands, tenements, &c., in the parish of S. Mildred in Bredstret for life; remainder or reversion in trust for sale for charitable uses. To the Master and Brethren of the House of S. Thomas de Acon he leaves a silver cup with covercle and gilt rim (*in borduris deauratum*), in English called “the grete grubbe,” as a memento. The residue of his goods, jewels, and other chattels, whether alive or dead, he leaves also to his wife for payment of debts, legacies, &c. Dated 27 October, A.D. 1434.

A codicil whereby he desires his feoffees in trust of lands, tenements, &c., in the parish of All Hallows at the Hay in the Ropery to convey an annuity of twenty-six shillings and eightpence, charged on the same, to Alice Fornyvale; also an annual rent of five marks for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Olave in Suthwerk for the soul of John Mokkyng for the space of twenty-four years; and to make a good life estate in the said lands and tenements to his aforesaid wife, without impeachment of waste, on condition that she cause to be kept for one year a weekly obit of his father and mother in S. John's Chapel within the church of S. Mary de Aldermarichirche, where they lie buried, and maintain a chantry in S. Mary's Chapel within the same church, where the testator and his father used to sit; re-

A.D. 1445-6. mainder or reversion to be sold for payment of debts and charitable uses. Desires also his feoffees in trust of lands, tenements, &c., in the parishes of S. Mary de Colchirche, S. Martin Pomers, S. Laurence, and S. Pancras, except the tenement called "le Maydenhede" and a messuage in Puppekirtlane in the parish of S. Pancras aforesaid, to make a life estate in the same to his wife, with remainder to Thomas Melton, otherwise called "Beteigne," in tail; remainder as to certain tenements to the Master and Brethren of the House of S. Thomas de Acon, charged with the observance of his obit within the church of S. Thomas, with distribution to the poor of the crafts of Goldsmiths, Grocers, and Tailors, and other observances in connexion with the tomb of Johanna, Countess of Ormond,<sup>1</sup> within the Chapel of the Holy Cross, in English called "the Roode of lukes,"<sup>2</sup> in the church of S. Thomas aforesaid, in manner prescribed. His feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Mary de Alderमारichirche and S. Antonin are desired to convey a life estate in the same to his aforesaid wife, so long as she remain unmarried and chaste; remainder to pious and charitable uses. His uncle John Grace, "peautrer," is also to have a life estate in all his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Botolph without Alderichegate and S. Mary Wolnore (*sic*), and the reversion of lands and tenements at Bernes,<sup>3</sup> Potenhithe,<sup>4</sup> and Rokehampton,<sup>5</sup> after the decease of his wife. His manor of Blakehamme to be sold.....[The remainder of the will is missing.] Dated 27 October, A.D. 1436. Roll 174 (7).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

**Melreth** (WILLIAM), mercer, and Alderman<sup>6</sup> of the City of London.—To be buried in the church of S. Laurence in the Old Jewry in the place mentioned in his other testament touching his movables. To Sir Robert Rook, vicar of the said church, he leaves eleven marks annual quitrent issuing from lands and tenements in

<sup>1</sup> Touching this hospital, now the Mercers' Chapel, Stow says: "Here be many monuments remaining, but more have been defaced—James Butler, Earl of Ormond, and Dame Joan his countess, 1428" ('Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 101).

<sup>2</sup> Probably refers to S. Luke, generally supposed to have been crucified.

<sup>3</sup> Barnes.

<sup>4</sup> Putney Heath.

<sup>5</sup> Roehampton.

<sup>6</sup> Ward uncertain.

Milkstrete and Ladlane in the parish of S. Laurence aforesaid, in aid of a chantry. To Thomas Tykhill, mercer, and Emma his wife, daughter of the testator, the reversion of the lands and tenements just mentioned, after the decease of Beatrix his wife, in tail, with remainder to Bartholomew Stratton, mercer, and Margaret his wife, another daughter of the testator, in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses, saving the above eleven marks annual rent. Also to the said Bartholomew and Margaret he leaves lands and tenements in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermarichirche, a shop in Westchepe near the entrance of *le Brodeseld*, and rent of a shop within the said seld. Dated London, 14 January, A.D. 1445. Roll 174 (8).

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*Monday the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*

**Westwod (JOHN)**, tailor.—To be buried in his parish church of S. Dunstan in le West in Fletestrete, for which he leaves twenty shillings for the fabric of the said church. Dated London, 15 July, A.D. 1445.

A codicil by which he leaves to the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity or Guild of the Blessed Mary and of S. Dunstan in Fletestrete a certain messuage and shops in Fletestrete assigned to him in trust by John, son of John Burell de Askham, in aid of a newly founded perpetual chantry within the said parish church. Dated London, 14 March, A.D. 1443. Roll 174 (16).

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

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**Hunte (ANDREW)**, girdler.—To Master William Fallan, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Magnus near London Bridge, an annual rent of ten marks, issuing from a tenement called "*le Kynggeshede*" and a tenement adjoining, situate in Briggestrete in the parish of S. Magnus aforesaid, towards the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church, in accordance with the terms of the will of Roger de Oxon, proved and enrolled in the Husting of London for Pleas of Land held on Monday next before the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March], 35 Edward I. [A.D. 1306-7],<sup>1</sup> for the good of his soul, the souls of the aforesaid Roger and others. Also to

<sup>1</sup> Part I, p. 185.

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the said rector and churchwardens he leaves a tenement formerly belonging to John Betherenden, otherwise called "Sandhirst," situate in (*super*) the new churchyard of the church of S. Magnus, and formerly called "le Fisshwharf" at *le Hole* in the said parish, to hold to them and their successors by customary services. Dated London, 20 July, A.D. 1440. Roll 174 (27).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

Stafford (JOHN), chaplain.—Testament touching certain lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Mary Magdalen near the Old Fish Market and S. Peter, otherwise Benedict, near Powliswharf at "Petreslane eend," which he leaves to the Master and Brethren of the Hospital of S. Bartholomew in Westmythfeld, on condition they assure by deed under their common seal to Thomas his son an annuity of one hundred shillings, and to Richard Stafford his kinsman an annuity of forty shillings; also that they pay a certain sum to a chantry priest for masses, &c., at their altar of S. Nicholas for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his late wife, John and Juliana his father and mother, and others, the priest turning himself to the congregation at every mass between the offertory and the washing of hands,<sup>1</sup> and saying these words: "*I recomende in to youre devoute prayers the soules of John Stafford and Johane his wyf, John and Julyan his fadre and moder, of Henry Barton, of Johane and Agneys his wyves, and of all Cristen,*" with other religious observances as directed. The same chantry priest is also to receive thirty-three shillings and fourpence by the year at the hands of the master aforesaid for instructing boys in grammar and singing; poor children, and more especially those of the testator's kin, to receive their instruction gratuitously. Dated London, Wednesday, 9 September, A.D. 1444.

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<sup>1</sup> Sometimes called the "first lavatory" (will of Isabel Howden, 1515, enrolled *infra*), to distinguish it from the washing which takes place after the priest has communicated. The first washing occurs before communicating, and immediately after presenting the

oblations; the priest going to the Epistle side of the altar and washing the tips of his fingers, at the same time reciting Psalm xxv. 6 ("*Lavabo inter innocentes manus meas, et circumdebo altare tuum, Domine*").

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

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Estfeld<sup>1</sup> (WILLIAM), Knt., citizen and mercer, and Alderman of the City of London.—Testament touching his movables. To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Aldermanbury. Directions as to funeral, which is to be conducted without display. The torches used at his funeral to be afterwards distributed among various churches. Bequests to the poor of the parishes of S. Mary de Aldermanbury, S. Peter near Powliswharf, S. Mary Somerset, S. Benedict at Powliswharf, and S. Laurence in the Jewry; to the vicar and chaplains of the church of Tikhill,<sup>2</sup> the chaplain of the chapel in the castle of Tikhill, and the poor of the parish; to the inmates of divers hospitals and prisons; the lepers in and near London; the various orders of friars in London, the friars of Hicchyn<sup>3</sup> and Tikhill; the nuns of Burnham near Wyndesore, Ankerwyk,<sup>4</sup> Roughsparre, Blakbergh, co. Norfolk, Higham, co. Kent, the nuns of Huntyngdon and Feveresham; also to his apprentices, servants, and others. For the repair and maintenance of the bridge at Wallyngford he leaves forty shillings, and divers sums to the churches of Gedeleston,<sup>5</sup> Greneford,<sup>7</sup> and Wotton.<sup>8</sup> To the poor-box of the Mercers of London twenty pounds, and other sums to the chaplains of the Art of Mercery, the beadle of the art, and for a breakfast (*jantaculum*<sup>9</sup>) to be given to the apprentices to the art that they may pray for his soul. The gold cup and ewer which he received when he attended as Mayor at the coronation of the lord the King<sup>10</sup> he leaves to John Bohun, son of Margaret his daughter, and in default of an heir of the body of the said John the same

<sup>1</sup> It is not clear of what ward he was Alderman. Served as Sheriff in 1422, and was twice Mayor, viz., in 1429 and 1437. A native of Tickhill, Yorkshire (Orridge).

<sup>2</sup> Co. York.

<sup>3</sup> Hitchin, co. Herts.

<sup>4</sup> Co. Bucks.

<sup>5</sup> Rusper or Rupperar, co. Sussex.

<sup>6</sup> Geldeston (?), co. Norfolk.

<sup>7</sup> Greenfield (?), co. Lincoln.

<sup>8</sup> Wootton (?), co. Norfolk.

<sup>9</sup> "*Jantaculum*, cibus quo solvitur jejunium ante prandium; *dejeuner*" (D'Arnis).

<sup>10</sup> King Henry VI. was not crowned till the eighth year of his reign

(A.D. 1429), in which year the testator was Mayor. His claim to serve the King on that occasion in his official capacity, and to receive for his fee a gold cup and ewer, is entered in the City's Records as having been duly made by the mouth of the Recorder, according to the liberties and customs of the City (Lib. Dunthorn, folio 61 b). There is evidence to carry back this custom to the coronation of Richard I., the earliest coronation of which any detailed account is preserved, and the service then claimed and performed by the citizens of London was called, even at that time, an "antient service."

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is to go to Humphrey Bohun, brother of the said John, and again in default of an heir the cup and ewer are to be sold, and five silver chalices to be bought out of the proceeds and given to churches in the country that require them. Leaves a cask of red Gascony wine or its value to the Abbey of S. Alban, the Priory, Christ Church, Canterbury, the House of the Salutation of the Blessed Mary of the Carthusian Order near London, the Priory of Walsyngham,<sup>1</sup> and the Convent of Sapwell,<sup>2</sup> he being a capitular brother of each of the said houses. Among other bequests he leaves one hundred pounds for the repair of highways between London and Hoddesdon. To Humphrey Bohun his son-in-law he leaves the *coler* of gold given to him by the King and silver vessels to the value of one hundred marks. Another *coler* of gold set (*infixum*) with precious stones and pearls<sup>3</sup> is to be offered at the shrine of the Virgin Mary at Walsyngham, whilst an *ouche* of gold set with precious stones and pearls is to be similarly offered at *le Shryne* of S. Thomas of Canterbury. His personal apparel of silk and gold, as well as that of Alice his late wife, to be converted into vestments for churches. Requests for sermons to be preached at S. Paul's Cross and in the pulpit at the Hospital of S. Mary without Bishshopesgate, and also to clerks of the universities of Oxford and Cambridge coming to London to preach the word of God, so that his soul be had in remembrance by them. The Bishop of Lincoln, to whom he leaves his large Portifory and a silver-gilt cup, appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 15 March, A.D. 1445.

By a codicil he wills that the water conduit in Aldermanbury<sup>4</sup> be finished at his expense; and also that the belfry of the

<sup>1</sup> Co. Norfolk.

<sup>2</sup> Sopewell, co. Herts.

<sup>3</sup> *Perr[eis]*. This seems to be the correct reading and interpretation. The word *perreie* occurs in the earlier Letter-Books of the City Records, which Riley takes to be identical with a fur known as *perre*, or cleansed minever. Women of bad character were forbidden to wear any manner of budge, or *perreie*, or *revers* within the franchise of the City (Letter-Book H, fol. 139; 'Memorials,' p. 458, n.). The word in the will admits of being read as *perr[e]*, in which case it would mean precious stones. Cf. —

Hir riche array, if it mighte be told,  
As wel in vessel as in hir clothing,  
Sche was al clothed in *perré* and gold.  
Chaucer, 'The Monkes Tale,' 313-5.  
The only objection to its having this meaning in the will is that, following so close upon *infixum cum petris*, it becomes tautological.

<sup>4</sup> "Wm. Eastfield, mercer, 1438 [*sic*], appointed his executors of his goods to convey sweet water from Tyborne, and to build a fair conduit by Aldermanberie Church, which they performed, as also made a standard in Fleet Street by Shew lane end; they also conveyed water to Cripples gate, &c." (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 42).

church of Aldermanbury be raised to a more convenient height and five bells hung therein. Among other bequests he leaves to John Middelton his large Legend of the Saints, a *portos*, and a vestment of cloth of gold with *popyngeays*. To the perpetual chaplain of his chantry in the church of S. Mary de Aldermanbury he leaves a certain tenement with shop, situate near the church of S. Peter in Westchepe. Dated 16 March in the year aforesaid.

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By another codicil of the same date he leaves to the Wardens of the Mistery of Mercery of the City of London a tenement called "le Three Coupes upon le hoop" in the parish of All Hallows in Bredestrete, and other tenements, &c., in Morestrete in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, charged with certain payments towards a chantry in the church of S. Mary de Aldermanbury for the good of his soul, the souls of Juliana and Alice his late wives, and others, and with the due observance of his obit in manner prescribed; also with the payment of thirteen shillings and fourpence annually to the Dean and Chapter of the Collegiate Church of S. Martin le Grand on account of the obit of William Kynwolmerssh. In case of default the property is to go over to the Master of the House of S. Thomas de Acon under similar conditions.

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**Estfeld (WILLIAM)**, Knt., citizen and mercer, and Alderman of the City of London.—Testament touching certain quitrents in the parish of S. Botolph without Aldrichegate, the reversion of which he leaves to the Prior of the House of S. Mary de Overey and the convent of the same, whensoever the Prior and Convent of S. Bartholomew in Westsmythfeld shall make default in maintaining a chantry for the soul of Reginald Colyer, Prior of S. Bartholomew's in Westsmythfeld, the souls of the testator, his late wives, and others, in manner prescribed. Dated London, 28 January, A.D. 1445.

Roll 175 (20).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

**Stoke (RALPH)**, grocer.—Testament touching an annual rent of six shillings and eightpence issuing from a mansion in the parish of S. Andrew upon Cornhill, which he leaves to Master John Savage, the rector, and churchwardens of the said parish church,

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so that they spend half that sum annually upon the observance of his obit and the obit of William Traynell and of Johanna, wife of the same, in manner prescribed. The other half of the said rent to be given to the poor of the parish. Dated London, 8 May, A.D. 1445. Roll 175 (25).

Rithe (JOHN), "malemaker."—To Matilda his wife a life estate in his lands and tenements in Watlyngstrete in the parish of S. Augustine at S. Paul's Gate; remainder to his heirs begotten upon the body of his said wife; remainder to Margaret Neve, daughter of Matilda his wife by John Neve her former husband, in tail; remainder to William Clere, "malemaker," in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 14 April, A.D. 1443. Roll 175 (26).

Wiltshire (WILLIAM), horner.—To be buried in his parish church of S. Martin in Bowyerrowe within Ludgate. Directions as to funeral, distribution of torches, &c. Provision made for a chantry in the said church for one whole year after his decease for the good of his soul, the souls of Matilda and Agnes his wives, and others. Bequest of four pounds towards the purchase of an Antiphonar for the church of Elmondon, co. Essex, his native place, so that the parishioners also assist towards purchasing the book and specially pray for his soul. To the church of Beauchamp Rothyng, co. Essex, he leaves a chalice of the value of thirty shillings; and six shillings and eightpence to the fabric of the church of Sabrichefford, co. Herts. To Thomas Wiltshire his brother, among other things, his gown of *musterdevilers*,<sup>1</sup> furred with *Bevers*; and to Thomas, son of the same, forty shillings. To

<sup>1</sup> Grey cloth made at Montivilliers, or Mustrevilliers, in Normandy. Cf. "Also y bequethe to Clemens, the woman that kepes me, a gowne of Musterdevylers and a kyrtell of Musterdevylers with grene sleues" (will of Margaret Asshcombe of London, proved 1434; 'Earliest English Wills,' ed. by Dr. Furnivall for Early Eng. Text Soc., p. 97). In a roll of accounts preserved among the archives of S. Paul's Cathedral it appears as "Musterdevelis," and in the Minute Book of the Grocers'

Company (already mentioned) as "Mestrevyler"; it is also found under the quaint style "mustyrd devells." From the following extract from Strype's Stow ('Survey,' bk. v. p. 164) it would appear to have given its name to a colour: "I read in Books of Accounts in Guildhall that in the 19th Year of Henry VI. there was bought for an Officer's Gown two yards of Cloth, coloured *Mustard Villars* (a Colour now out of use)."



his apprentices and servants he leaves divers forms or *moldes* appertaining to his craft, some holding three hundred pounds of metal, and others half a hundred pounds. Also to Thomas his aforesaid brother a bakehouse, &c., in Knyghtriderstrete in the parish of H. Trinity the Less for life; remainder in trust for sale, and the proceeds to be devoted to the purchase of a complete set of vestments for the church of S. Martin aforesaid, wax tapers, &c. The co-feoffees with Richard Coyf of three parcels of arable land in Meapham, co. Kent, known respectively as "Vynkrede," "Sloppes," and "Sholle," are to release the same to the said Richard whenever duly requested. Desires his feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in Beauchamp Rothyng and Wylynghale, co. Essex, to make a good estate to the Prior and Convent of the Church of H. Trinity, London, of an annual rent of ten shillings thereout, and to convey the same property to John Fitz Richard, brother of Agnes his late wife. To John Kermerdyn, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Martin aforesaid, tenements in Tourstrete and in Mynchonlane in the parish of S. Dunstan in aid of a chantry; remainder over, in case of default, to the Fraternity of S. Giles within the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate. Dated London, Thursday, 25 January, A.D. 1441.

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# ANNO 26 HENRY VI.

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*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Costyn** (JOHN), girdler.—To Johanna his wife the reversion of certain shops, land, &c., in the alley called "le Peynted Aley" and in Martlane in the parish of All Hallows de Stanyngchirch, charged with observing his obit, with silent mass of one of the five joys<sup>1</sup> of the glorious mother of God, and other religious and charitable exercises in manner prescribed; and further with the distribution between the vigil of All Saints and Easter Eve, so long as his said wife shall live, of one hundred quarters of coal among the poor of the parish, a single man

<sup>1</sup> Also called the joyful mysteries, namely, (1) the Annunciation, (2) the Visitation, (3) the birth of Christ, (4) his being carried as a baby to the Temple, (5) the finding him there, when a boy, among the teachers (Rock's 'Church of our Fathers,' vol. iii. part i. p. 324).

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or woman receiving weekly one bushel of good measure, "full be heped." After the death of his wife the lands and tenements aforesaid to go to Alice his daughter, wife of Thomas Pecke, in tail, subject to similar provisions; remainder to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London for the perpetual maintenance of the water conduits of the City, and for carrying out the above religious and charitable uses.<sup>1</sup> In default the property to go over to the vicar of the church of S. Laurence in the Jewry and the Wardens of the Mistery of Girdlers of the City for the time being in trust for sale, the proceeds to be devoted to the repair of bridges and highways, the bestowal of marriage portions, and other pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 1 August, A.D. 1442. Roll 176 (8).

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*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

Baron (JOHN), "talughchaundeler."—To be buried in his parish church of S. Sepulchre without Newgate. Bequests for maintenance of fabric of the said church and to the Fraternity of S. Stephen therein; also to the Prior and Convent of the House of the Salutation of the Mother of God of the Carthusian Order, and to the Fraternity of Parish Clerks<sup>2</sup> in London. To Lucy his wife all his lands and tenements in the suburbs of the City for life; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, Friday, 16 November, A.D. 1436. Roll 176 (9).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Alphege, Bishop [19 April].*

Aleyn (THOMAS), mercer.—To be buried according to directions contained in another will. To the perpetual vicar of the church of S. Laurence in the Old Jewry, and to the Wardens of the

<sup>1</sup> Concerning this charity Mr. Hare, in 1860, reported as follows:—"The rector and churchwardens issue printed notices of the intended distribution of this charity, and persons living in the parish who desire to participate apply to the vestry clerk; and the rector, churchwardens, and vestry clerk then meet and select the persons who are to receive the gifts. The names are chosen, and then sent to the hallkeeper at Guildhall. The number of persons on the list are usually about fifteen or sixteen, and each receives either two or

three bushels of coal, making a distribution of forty bushels a week in the whole for twenty successive weeks from the 31st October in every year" (Report Royal City Parochial Charities Com., 1880, vol. iii. p. 18).

<sup>2</sup> A fraternity whose patron saint was S. Nicholas, and whose hall was in Bishopsgate Street. Their chief duty appears to have been to see that parish registers were properly kept. The brotherhood was suppressed in the reign of Edward VI.

Fraternity and Light of the Holy Cross called "Rodelight," and of the lights of S. Katherine and S. Anne in the said church, he leaves certain shops near Sopereslane in the parish of S. Pancras for the maintenance of a chantry at the altar of Holy Cross in the aforesaid church for the good of his soul, the souls of Margery his wife and the brethren and sisters of the fraternity aforesaid. In case of default made the shops to go over to the Master of the House or Church of S. Thomas the Martyr, called "de Acon," for like purposes; remainder, in case of default, to the relief of the poor of the Ward of Chepe on the occasion of a tax or talliage being levied on the King's behalf. Dated London, 8 July, A.D. 1437.

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**Person (RICHARD), armourer.** — Bequests to the church of S. Ethelburga within Bisshopesgate, the old work of S. Paul's, and the cathedral church of Worcester. Among specific bequests are the following:—To Robert Nyk of the vill of Westminster a gold ring and his best girdle; to Alice his daughter, wife of the said Robert, a piece of silver with a rose engraved on the bottom and six silver spoons; and to Richard their son a psalter. To Edward Snowe his servant the whole of his armour and implements of his craft. To Johanna his wife a tenement near his hostel called "le Swan," in the parish of S. Ethelburga aforesaid, and a tenement in the parish of S. Mary de Colchirch, for life, without impeachment of waste; remainder to Robert Nyk and Alice aforesaid, and Richard their son. Also to his wife he leaves rents in the parishes of S. Peter de Westchepe and S. Mildred in the Poultry for life, with similar remainder. Dated London, 16 May, A.D. 1446.

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#### ANNO 27 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Adam (SIMON), clerk, citizen and freeman of the Mistery of Vintners of the City of London.**—To the Masters or Wardens of the Mistery of Vintners of the Fraternity of S. Martin in the Vintry of the City and commonalty of the said mistery and their successors he leaves his hostel called "le Bere on the hoop" in

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the parish of S. Matthew in Frydaystret, together with a cellar and solar above in the same parish, near Erberlane and Palmereslane,<sup>1</sup> on condition the said masters or wardens shall out of the issues and profits maintain a chantry in the church of S. Martin in the Vintry, at the altar of S. Eutropius the Martyr, for the souls of William Hervy, King Henry V. of England, and others, in manner prescribed. The residue of the said profits, after discharge of expenses of the said chantry and of repair and maintenance of the said tenements, is to be devoted to the relief of the poor members of the mistery.<sup>2</sup> In case of default made in carrying out the terms of the devise the property is to go over to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. James de Garlekhithe, charged with the maintenance of the chantry aforesaid. Also to Sir William Huntyngdon, the rector, and churchwardens he leaves tenements in Thamisestret in the parish of S. James aforesaid, comprising a tenement called of old "le Blyndebrew-hous," otherwise "le hertishorn," and others in the parishes of S. Martin Orgar, All Hallows in Graschirchestret, and S. John de Walbroke near Horsshobrigge, charged with the maintenance of a chantry, observance of his obit, &c., in the aforesaid church. The residue of the issues and profits to be devoted to the repair of the said tenements, as well as the maintenance of the works and ornaments of the aforesaid church. In default the property to go over to the Masters or Wardens of the Mistery of Vintners to carry out the terms of the devise. Dated London, 12 April, A.D. 1442. Roll 177 (12).

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*Monday next after Feast of Translation of S. Benedict [11 July].*

**Bray (NICHOLAS), baker.**—To Sir William White, the rector, churchwardens and other parishioners of the church of S. Margaret Moyes, his tenement in Frydaystret in the parish of S. Margaret aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church for the good of the souls of Ralph Cressoner, William White, and others; and also with keeping the said tenement in repair. The residue of the issues and

<sup>1</sup> See notes *supra*, p. 487.

<sup>2</sup> No information appears to be given respecting the property here devised either in Mr. Hare's Report on the

Company's charitable estate, or in the Company's return to the Commission appointed in 1880.

profits of the tenement to be kept in a box under lock and two keys for further repairs when necessary. In case of default the tenement is to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London for the perpetual maintenance of London Bridge. Dated London, 5 July, A.D. 1442. Roll 177 (22).

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**Atte Stokke** (WILLIAM), otherwise called "Essex," dyer.—To be buried in the church of S. Peter the Less<sup>1</sup> in Themsestrete. To John Davels, the rector, and churchwardens of the said church he leaves an annual rent of ten pounds issuing from certain lands and tenements within the parish, situate between the lane called "Fressshisslane" and the lane called "Kyngeslane," otherwise "Arouneslane," for the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his late wife, John Trigg,<sup>2</sup> and others, for the due observance of the obit of the said John Trigg, and for gifts to poor parishioners. Dated London, 1 April, A.D. 1430. Roll 177 (23).

## ANNO 28 HENRY VI.

*Monday the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Sewale** (HENRY), "gentilman."—His feoffees in trust of a certain quitrent in the parish of S. Vedast are directed to make a good life estate in the same to Cristina his wife; remainder to be sold, and the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Saddlers to have the right of pre-emption. The proceeds to be devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Peter in Westchepe, the repair of highways, and other pious and charitable uses. Dated 3 August, 27 Henry VI. [A.D. 1449].

Roll 178 (4).

**Wright** (THOMAS), "tymbermonger."—To be buried in the parish church of S. Michael de Hoggenlane in Wodestrete. Directions as to torches, &c., for his funeral and their subsequent distribution, one of which he leaves to his art or craft (*Arti mee*) for use at the funerals of deceased members. Pecuniary bequests to Matilda his daughter, his servants, apprentices, and others;

<sup>1</sup> S. Peter, Paul's Wharf.

<sup>2</sup> Trig Lane and Trig Wharf, near Thames Street, exist at the present day.

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also to the common box of his craft, the Fraternity of S. Giles without Crepulgate, to various orders of friars, to the houses for lepers within two miles of London, &c. A leasehold tenement in the lane and parish of S. Mary de Abchirche he leaves to his executors, they paying the rent and keeping the tenement in repair, and devoting the residue of the profits to pious and charitable uses. To Leticia his wife the rest of his lands and tenements for life; remainder to Matilda his daughter in tail; remainder in trust for sale, the proceeds being devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Michael aforesaid, to the distribution of coals and clothes to the poor, the repair of roads and bridges, and other pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 4 January, A.D. 1446. Roll 178 (13).

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## ANNO 29 HENRY VI.

*Monday the Feast of S. Edmund, Archbishop [16 Nov.].*

**Bangore**<sup>1</sup> (WILLIAM), draper.—To be buried in the church of Pappey<sup>2</sup> standing in the City's wall. To each poor chaplain in the Fraternity of Pappey<sup>3</sup> he leaves three shillings and fourpence to pray for his soul. To Henry Cherteseye, draper, all his lands, tenements, &c., in the City of London. To the Master and Wardens and Brethren of the Fraternity of Pappey aforesaid an annual rent of twenty-six shillings and eightpence issuing from a tenement at Bevy's Marke within the City, so that they observe his obit as directed. Dated London, 9 April, A.D. 1450.

Roll 179 (10).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Scolastica, Virgin [10 Feb.].*

**Person** (JOHANNA), widow.—To be buried as directed in her testament touching her movables. Leaves her hostel called "le Swanne on the hoop" near Bisshopesgatestrete in the parish of

<sup>1</sup> A marginal note states that a claim against this testament was enrolled at the Husting for Common Pleas [on Monday next] before the Feast of S. Dunstan [19 May], 28 Henry VI. [A.D. 1450]. The Common Pleas Roll for that year is, however, missing from the series.

<sup>2</sup> See note *supra*, p. 286.

<sup>3</sup> A fraternity for poor priests or papas ("for in some languages priests are called papas"—Stow), founded in honour of S. Charity and S. John Evangelist in 1430, and in close connexion with the church of S. Augustine in London Wall, which hence was called also S. Augustine "Pappey."

S. Ethelburga in the hands of trustees, to the use of Edward Snowe for life. Dated London, 5 January, A.D. 1449. A.D.  
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Roll 179 (19).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

**Pepyr (WILLIAM)**, skinner.—To be buried in the church of S. Dunstan West in Fletestrete near the burial-place of Paulina his late wife and consort. Whereas a bequest made by Thomas Duke,<sup>1</sup> late skinner, for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Dunstan aforesaid is void at law for uncertainty, the bequest having been made to the vicar and churchwardens of the said church and their successors, where the vicar mentioned could not be shown to have been canonically instituted as perpetual vicar, the testator, in order to remove any ambiguity, after taking counsel's opinion, bequeaths to the Master of the Mistery of the Craft of Skinners and his successors an annual rent of ten marks issuing from his messuage called "Sarasynes-hede" and tenements adjoining, situate in the parish of S. Dunstan aforesaid, for the maintenance of a chantry in the said parish church for the good of his soul, the souls of Thomas Duke, Agnes, wife of the same, and others. The appointment of the chantry priest to be with Johanna his wife so long-as she live, and after her decease with John Whittokesmede and Agnes, wife of the same, the testator's daughter. Also to his said wife he leaves the aforesaid messuage for life. Dated London, 8 June, A.D. 1442.

Roll 179 (20).

#### ANNO 30 HENRY VI.

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1451.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Graunt (JOHN)**, "pasteler."—To John Godyslond, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Alphege within Crepulgate, his brewery called "le Cokke on the hoop" in Grubbestrete in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, and a tenement called "le Caterine on the hoop" in the parish of S. Alban de Wodestrete, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church for the souls of John Credy, Johanna, wife of the same,

<sup>1</sup> Will enrolled *supra*, Roll 150 (8).

- A.D.** and others. In default the property to go over to the Mayor and  
**1451.** Commonalty of the City of London for the same purpose, the residue of the profits being applied to the use of the Chamber of the Guildhall. Dated 25 April, 12 Henry VI. [A.D. 1434].  
 Roll 180 (7).

*Monday next after F. of S. Martin, Bp., "in yeme" [11 Nov.].*

**Cruse (MARGARET)**, daughter of John Cruse, late tailor, and relict of John Spenser, brewer; a freewoman of the City of London, having been admitted to the freedom 30 May, 27 Henry VI. [A.D. 1449].—To be buried according to instructions contained in her testament touching her movables. To John Lovell her servant a lower house beneath a solar, with right of way from Redecrouchestrete, easement of water supply, lights, *evesdroppes*, &c. To Randolph Barker, girdler, and Juliana his wife, daughter of the testatrix, certain tenements and gardens in Redecrouchestrete, together with the reversion of the lower house just mentioned, for the lifetime of the said Juliana, charged with the due observance of her obit, the obits of her late husband and others, in manner prescribed; remainder in trust for sale, the proceeds being devoted to divers charitable uses. To Thomas Russell, brewer, and Margaret his wife, another daughter of the testatrix, a tenement lately called "Harlewyns" and now called "le harp on the hoop," together with a parcel of land in Redecrouchestrete in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, for the lifetime of the said Margaret; remainder in trust for sale, the proceeds being devoted to the observance of her obit and to charitable objects within the parish of S. Giles aforesaid. Dated London, 1 August, A.D. 1449.  
 Roll 180 (14).

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**1451-2.**

*Monday the Feast of S. Cuthbert, Bishop [20 March].*

**Humber (JOHN)**, brewer.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Wolchirche. To John and William his sons and Cecilia his daughter divers silver bowls. His personal apparel, including girdles and baselards, to be sold for pious uses. To Margaret his wife a life interest in all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Ethelburga within Bishshopesgate; remainder to his sons and daughter aforesaid in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale,



the proceeds being devoted to the maintenance of the fabric of the church of S. Ethelburga aforesaid, relief of the poor within the Ward of Bishshopesgate and the poor almsfolk of the Fraternity of the Brewers of London, the maintenance of the fabric of the church of S. Mary Wolchirche, &c. Dated London, 4 August, A.D. 1444.

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1451-2.

Roll 180 (29).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

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1452.

**Marke** (RALPH), brewer.—To be buried in the chancel of the church of S. Thomas the Apostle in the Riote, where Rose his late wife lies buried. Directions as to torches at his funeral and subsequent disposal of them among various churches named for use at the elevation of the Host, &c. Bequests to the fabric, &c., of the church of All Hallows the Less in Thamisesstrete; also for the purchase of a book commonly called “Legger,” a Gradual, and a complete Manual (*Manuale plenarium*) for the church of S. Peter de Malleburgh,<sup>1</sup> co. Devon, where his father and mother are buried; and for the purchase of a complete Manual for the church of S. Siriacus at Poole,<sup>2</sup> near Malleburgh. To Juliana his wife forty pounds in satisfaction of her reasonable dower or part, on condition she remain chaste and unmarried, and a standing cup of silver with a parcel-gilt *wrethe* around the covercle. Bequests to John Stodeley, scrivener, for making and writing this his present will, his servants, apprentices, and others; also for the purchase of a pair of silver cruets for the respective churches of S. Mary at Cheveleston,<sup>3</sup> co. Devon, and of S. Winwaloe (*Sancti Winwolai*) in the same county. To Matilda his daughter six shillings and eightpence. To Richard Howell, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Thomas aforesaid, an annual rent of six shillings and eightpence issuing from certain tenements, called “le Brewhous atte Cok on the hoop” and “le Stewhous” respectively, situate in the parish of All Hallows the Less in *le Roperie*, for the observance of his obit in manner prescribed; remainders over to other churches in case of default. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves the tenements just mentioned for life, so long as she remain chaste and

<sup>1</sup> Malborough, south of Kingsbridge. |

<sup>2</sup> South Poole.

<sup>3</sup> Chivelstone, near Start Point.

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unmarried; remainder to Johanna his daughter, wife of John Hill, tailor, in tail, charged with the maintenance of chantries in the churches of S. Thomas and All Hallows aforesaid, and with charitable gifts to the poor of the parish of Malleburgh. Also he leaves to the rector of the church of S. Thomas aforesaid, and to the Wardens of the Fraternity of S. Eligius<sup>1</sup> founded therein, a certain tenement in the parish of H. Trinity the Less, for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Thomas aforesaid; remainder over in case of default. Dated London, 12 October, A.D. 1450. Roll 180 (39).

## ANNO 31 HENRY VI.

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Arcall or Arcoll (JOHN)**, tailor.—To Master Thomas Westowe, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of All Hallows at the Hay in the Ropery, he leaves a parcel of land within the parish, for the augmentation and enlargement of the said church. Dated London, 27 July, A.D. 1452. Roll 181 (6).

**Edward (WILLIAM)**, salter.—To be buried according to instructions contained in another testament touching his movables. To John Carpenter, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary Magdalen, lands and tenements in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen near the Old Fish Market, and the reversion of a shop in the parish of S. Nicholas de Coldabbey, so that with the issues and profits of the same they maintain a chantry in the church of S. Mary Magdalen aforesaid for the good of his soul, for the welfare of Agnes his wife, of John Sygar and of Margaret, wife of the same, daughter of the testator, so long as they live, and for their souls after death, and others, and do not convert the issues and profits to any other use. Dated London, 12 August, A.D. 1449.

Roll 181 (7).

**Holand (RALPH)**, tailor.—By the present codicil<sup>2</sup> he makes disposition of a certain tenement in Bokeleresbury in the parish of S. Benedict Shorhog, which he leaves to the Prioress and

<sup>1</sup> Or S. Eloy. (See note *supra*, p. 268.)

<sup>2</sup> A codicil, strictly speaking, signifies a little will.

Convent of the house and church of nuns of S. Leonard of Stratford atte Bowe, co. Middlesex, so that they pray for his soul, the souls of Isabella Brikles, William and Katherine her father and mother, and others, and observe the obit of the said Isabella in manner prescribed. The residue of the profits, after payment of charges, to be devoted to the nuns' clothing. Dated London, 24 January, A.D. 1449.

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Roll 181 (15).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

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**Arnold (JOHN)**, senior, "letherseller."—Testament touching certain lands and tenements in Colmanstrete and near London Wall in the parish of S. Stephen de Colmanstrete, and Catton Lane<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Laurence in the Jewry, the reversion of which he leaves to John Arnold, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Stephen de Colmanstrete, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Elena his wife, John Arnold, clerk, and John Arnold junior, his sons, Margaret, wife of the same John Arnold junior, Edmund Fraunceys, Stephen Fraunsard, and others; also with due observance of their obits in manner prescribed. Also to the said rector and churchwardens he leaves certain rents in Catton Lane aforesaid, in aid of the perpetual chantry already established in the said church for the souls of John Essex, draper, and Alice, wife of the same; and, further, a tenement and rents in Wryngeresaley in the parish of S. Stephen aforesaid, charged with the observance of two obits on two several days for the souls of Adam Godeman and Alice, wife of the same, and also of Thomas Stable and Petronilla, Matilda, and Katherine, wives of the same, and of William Bury and others, in manner prescribed. Dated London, 12 February, A.D. 1438.

Roll 181 (26).

#### ANNO 32 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

**Moylle (WILLIAM)**, gentleman.—Last will, whereby he directs that in the event of John Eversley and Isabella, wife of the same,

<sup>1</sup> Now Gresham Street.

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levying a fine<sup>1</sup> in the King's Court at Westminster, and making a good estate in law to Thomas Eyre and others in fee tail in lands and tenements formerly belonging to Richard Eyre, father of the said Isabella, according to the terms of an agreement indented, his feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in the county of Kent shall convey the same to Margaret his wife for life, with remainder in fee tail to parties mentioned in the agreement aforesaid; otherwise the said lands and tenements shall remain in fee tail to John Moylle his son, with further remainder to Thomas Eyre, brother of the aforesaid Margaret. The rest of his lands and tenements in trust are also to go to his aforesaid wife for life, with similar remainder to John his son and Thomas Eyre in successive tail. Dated 16 April, 31 Henry VI. [A.D. 1453].

Roll 182 (10).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

Waldern (RICHARD), esquire.—To Margaret his wife all his lands and tenements in the City of London for life; remainder to Elizabeth, Johanna, Elianora, and Margaret his daughters in tail; remainder to Richard his sister's son, son of Richard de la Feld, in tail; remainder to William Babthorp, esquire. Dated 8 April, A.D. 1454.

Roll 182 (22).

## ANNO 33 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

Wyse (WILLIAM), barber.—To Master William Say, Warden or Master of the House or Hospital of S. Antony,<sup>2</sup> and successors

<sup>1</sup> A fine resembled a recovery at Common Law in that both were fictitious actions; but it differed from a recovery in that, whilst the latter action at law was carried out through every stage of the process, a fine was a fictitious action commenced and then compromised by leave of the Court, whereby the lands in question were acknowledged to be the right of one of the parties. Again, both a fine and a recovery could bar an estate tail, but the former was inoperative as to the remainders and reversion. As to the procedure in a common recovery in the Court of Husting, see Part I., *Introd.*, pp. xvii-xix.

<sup>2</sup> This hospital, some time a cell to

S. Antony's at Vienne, France, received an endowment from Henry VI. towards the maintenance of five scholars in the University of Oxford who should have been prepared in the rudiments of grammar at his college of Eton. The hospital appears to have always supported a schoolmaster from its foundation in the thirteenth century. In 1474 Edward IV. granted permission to the warden here mentioned to have priests, scholars, brethren, &c., after the manner of the alien monastery whose name it bore, and he appropriated the hospital to the Collegiate Church of S. George at Windsor.

he leaves his brewery called "le Coupe *super* le hoop" in the parish of All Hallows near London Wall, charged with the maintenance of a clerk to instruct the children of the said house or hospital as well in singing to music (*in cantico organico*<sup>1</sup>) as in plain singing (*in plano cantico*), and to celebrate divine service, &c., in manner as directed. In every case of default for a quarter of a year or more without reasonable cause, a penalty is to be paid to the Master and Wardens or Guardians of the Art or Mistery of the Grocers<sup>2</sup> of the City of London; and if default be made in carrying out the terms of the devise for one whole year without reasonable cause, the property is to go over to the master and wardens aforesaid to the use of the brethren and sisters of the said art or mistery, for the purpose of executing the terms of his will. At every mass on Saturdays special prayers are to be offered for the welfare of Sir John [Carpenter<sup>3</sup>], Bishop of Worcester, a benefactor to the said house or hospital, with the collect *Rege quesumus domine famulum tuum*, &c., so long as he lives, and with the collect *Deus qui inter apostolicos*, &c., after his decease, together with other collects for the welfare of the master and wardens, brethren and sisters aforesaid. Dated London, 30 July, A.D. 1449.

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## Roll 183 (1).

Holand (RALPH).—To the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity of Tailors and Armourers of Linen Armour of S. John the Baptist in the City of London he leaves divers lands and tenements at the corner of Adelane in the parish of S. Alban de Wodestrete and in S. Clement's Laue near Estchepe, as well as

<sup>1</sup> What the *cantus organicus* consisted of appears open to doubt. Mention is made of it in the 'Statutes of St. Paul's Cathedral,' edited by Dr. W. Sparrow Simpson, where it is expressly forbidden that this kind of music should be sung in the vestibule of the church. For Sir John Stainer's opinion as to the nature of this music the reader is referred to Dr. Simpson's 'Gleanings from Old St. Paul's' (p. 178). The late Mr. Alchin, in his manuscript Calendar of the Wills in the Court of Husting (Part I., Introd., p. xxviii), understood these words to mean that the clerk was to teach the organ.

<sup>2</sup> S. Antony was the patron saint of

the Pepperers of London, from whom the present Company of Grocers claim descent. As to the connexion, real or supposed, between the Fraternity of Pepperers and the trading monks of S. Antony, the reader is referred to the Introduction to Facsimile of the Company's earliest Minute-Book already mentioned.

<sup>3</sup> Stow mentions a John Carpenter, D.D., as having been Master of S. Antony's Hospital anno 20 Henry VI. At one time Provost of Oriel College, Oxford, and Chancellor of Oxford, Appointed Bishop of Worcester by bull, 1443; resigned in 1476.

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a tenement or hostel called "Bassettsyn," formerly belonging to Sir Ralph de Basset, Knt., late lord of Drayton, situate in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermanbury, and a hostel called "Penbriggess Inne," at the corner of Lymestrete in the parish of S. Andrew near Cornhull, to have and to hold to the said master and wardens in pure and perpetual alms for the relief of poor members of the fraternity,<sup>1</sup> who are especially to pray for his soul, the souls of Matilda his late wife as well as of the brethren and sisters of the fraternity. Dated London, 2 May, A.D. 1452. Roll 183 (13).

Holand (RALPH), citizen and tailor.—To the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity of Tailors and Armourers of Linen Armour of S. John the Baptist he leaves two tenements in Fanchirchestrete in the parish of S. Dionisius Bakchirche, and another tenement in the same parish in a certain lane called "Margarete atte Patyns," and also a tenement opposite Houndesdich in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate, so that the said master and wardens shall keep the said tenements in repair, and out of the issues and profits pay annually thirteen shillings and fourpence to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary de Aldermarchy for keeping his obit, &c., and also pay annually and weekly to each poor brother and sister of the fraternity the sum of one penny for their relief. The residue to be devoted to the alms of the fraternity for special prayers for his soul, the souls of Matilda his late wife and others. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of the devise the property is to go over to the rector and churchwardens of the church aforesaid. Dated London, 3 May, A.D. 1452. Roll 183 (14).

Whitton (THOMAS).—To be buried in the church of S. Sepulchre without Newegate. To Idonia his wife his messuage in Holbourne for life; remainder to Alice his daughter for life; remainder to the vicar and churchwardens of the church of

<sup>1</sup> The only property now belonging to the Company by gift of Ralph Holand or Holland is the George Inn, Aldermanbury, let on a sixty-one years' lease, from Lady Day, 1831, at a rent of 165*l.* per annum. The Company carry to

their own account 13*s.* 4*d.* annually, as given to superstitious uses, and purchased by the Company from the Crown, and carry the residue of rent to the poor account.

S. Sepulchre aforesaid towards the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul and for the observance of his obit. Also to Alice his daughter for life the reversion of his tenement called "le Saresenesheed on the hoop" in the parish of S. Laurence in the Jewry after the death of his aforesaid wife; remainder to Master Robert Wombewell, the vicar of the church of S. Laurence aforesaid, and successors, so that they maintain a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of his wives, and others. To every chaplain of the College of the Guildhall of the City of London he leaves twelve pence for prayers. Dated London, 18 June, A.D. 1414.<sup>1</sup>

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Roll 183 (15).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

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1454-5.

West (WILLIAM), "marbeler."—To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael de Crokedlane and their successors he leaves an annual rent of five marks issuing from tenements in Wolcylane in the parish of All Hallows the Less called "on the Solar" (*super solarium*), for the maintenance of a chantry which Thomas atte Legh had previously failed to establish by will,<sup>2</sup> the devise being not valid in law, for the souls of the said Thomas atte Legh, Edelina, wife of the same, Nicholas Wotton, and others. Dated London, 20 November, A.D. 1447.

Roll 183 (22).

Lufkyn (JOHN), "pastiller."<sup>3</sup>—To be buried according to directions contained in his other will touching his movables. To Sir William Witham, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael upon Cornhull and their successors, he leaves the reversion of certain lands and tenements in Westchepe in the parish of S. Peter in Chepe, comprising a tenement called "le Ship on the hope," formerly belonging to Nicholas de Farndon, goldsmith, so that they pray for his soul and the souls of William Rus and Isabella, wife of the same, John Plympton, and others, keep the said tenements in repair, render true account of profits and disbursements, and place the

<sup>1</sup> There is nothing to show why so long a time elapsed between execution and probate. It is seldom that a man makes a will, and leaves it without alteration, forty years before he dies.

<sup>2</sup> Enrolled *supra*, pp. 153-4. The property is there said to be situate in the parish of All Hallows the Great.

<sup>3</sup> Maker of pastry, pie-baker.

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residue in a certain chest called "Russes Cheste" (having four locks and keys) within the said church, the said residue to be applied in aid of the chantry formerly founded within the same church by William Rus for the good of his soul. In default the property is to go over to the Master or Wardens of the Mistery of Goldsmiths of London and commonalty of the same, charged with an annual payment of fifty-three shillings and fourpence towards the aforesaid chantry of John Rus; the residue of the issues and profits, after payment of all charges, to be devoted to the relief of poor almsmen of the art. Dated London, the last day of March, A.D. 1450. Roll 183 (24).

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1455-6.

# ANNO 34 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

Ongham (CRISTIANA, relict of JOHN).—To be buried in the church of S. Christopher in Bradstrete. To William Geoffrey, the rector, and churchwardens of the said church she leaves her dwelling-house and shops situate within the parish in aid of a chantry of the Vernacle<sup>1</sup> of the H. Trinity in the aforesaid church, and for the due observance of her obit, &c., in manner prescribed. To Robert Ongham, citizen of London, all her tenements in the parish of S. Mary atte Naxe for life, on condition he distributes annually two shillings among the poor for the good of her soul; remainder to Robert and Thomas his sons, together with divers household chattels. Her lands and tenements upon *le Stewysside*,<sup>2</sup> in Grenewiche, Wrytymarssh, or elsewhere in the county of Kent to be sold for pious and charitable uses. To Johanna, wife of John Wossell, tailor, her silver girdle inscribed with *In principio erat verbum*. Dated 15 June, A.D. 1455.

Roll 184 (2).

<sup>1</sup> A name given to the sudary (σουδάριον), or napkin, which a Jewess gave to our Saviour on his way to Calvary with which to wipe his face, and which thereupon became impressed with his image.

<sup>2</sup> A row of houses of ill fame situate on the Bankside in Southwark, which, strange to say, were at one time under

the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Winchester. They were attacked by Wat Tyler and the Kentish rebels, but this may have been owing to the fact that William Walworth, who was then Mayor, was known to have an interest in the houses. They were suppressed, says Stow, in 1546 by the King's commandment, proclaimed by sound of trumpet.



*Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

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1458.

**Malt (RICHARD)**, "stokfissmonger."—To be buried in the church of S. Magnus de Briggestrete. To Johanna his wife for life a tenement and a portion of a wharf situate in Stepheneslane, otherwise called "Chirchawlane," in the parish of S. Magnus aforesaid; remainder, together with the rest of the said wharf, to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London and their successors for the use and maintenance of London Bridge, provided the said Mayor and Commonalty or their successors or the Wardens of the bridge repair the aforesaid tenement and wharf at their own cost within three years and a half after his decease; otherwise the whole property is to go over to his aforesaid wife for life, with remainder to William his son in tail. Dated London, 24 May, A.D. 1455. Roll 184 (10).

**Andrewe (WILLIAM)**, "pulter."—To Master John Dalton, perpetual vicar of the church of S. Sepulchre without Newgate, and churchwardens of the same and their successors, he leaves certain rents in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid and also a tenement in the parish of S. Margaret de Lothebury, charged with the due maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the soul of Alice his late wife, the welfare of Alice his present wife and of Paul Stephen so long as they live and for the good of their souls when dead, and the souls of Elizabeth, late wife of the said Paul, and others, in manner prescribed. The chantry priest at every mass is directed at his first going to the lavatory at the end of the altar to turn towards the congregation and say: "*Ye shull pray for the soules of William Andrewe and of Paule Stephen, of Alice and Alice the wyfes of the said William, and of Kateryne and Elizabeth the wyfes of the said Paule, and for the soules of all tho for whom this Chauntry is founded, and for all Cristen soules,*" and afterwards he shall say a *De Profundis* and collect *Fidelium*. Alice his wife to have a life interest in his mansion house called "le Andrewcrosse" in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid, and remainder to the aforesaid vicar and churchwardens. In case of default made by the beneficiaries in carrying out the terms of the devise the whole of the property is to go over to S. Bartholomew's Hospital or to the Warden and Fellows of the College of the

**A.D.** Guildhall for the maintenance of a chantry in the said college  
**1456.** church. Dated London, Thursday, 12 April, A.D. 1453.

Roll 184 (11).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Bridde** (GEOFFREY), "brasyer."—To Margaret his wife a house and shops opposite Hundesdich in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate in fee, provided that within two years next after his decease she pay to John Belwyn, citizen and "Foundour," and to John Lambard, citizen and "peautrer," ten marks sterling respectively. Also to his said wife certain other lands and tenements in the same parish absolutely. Dated 10 February, A.D. 1454.

Roll 184 (20).

#### ANNO 35 HENRY VI.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

**Clyff** (JOHN), skinner.—To the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of the church of S. Mildred in Bredestrete an annual rent issuing from a certain tenement called "le Pye" in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Neugate, near the high street called "Rennerstrete," for the maintenance of a lamp to burn night and day in the chancel of the said church. Dated London, 26 January, A.D. 1453.

Roll 185 (9).

**A.D.** *Monday next before the Feast of S. Cuthbert, Bishop [20 March].*  
**1456-7.**

**Guybon** (GEOFFREY), tailor.—To William Stokes, gentleman, lands, tenements, &c., in the parishes of S. Michael in Bassyngeshawe, S. Sepulchre without Newgate, and S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate, to hold for life without impeachment of waste; remainder to the Prior and Convent of the Hospital of S. Mary de Elsyngspittel within Crepulgate, charged with the maintenance of a chantry with special collects for the souls of the said William Stokes, of Nicholas and Johanna, the father and mother of the said William, and others; and also with the due observance of their obit, &c., in manner prescribed. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of the devise the property is to go over to the Master of the House or Church of S. Thomas the

Martyr of Acon, near the great conduit, and brethren of the same under like conditions, with further remainder, in case of default, to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London, for the maintenance and use of the chapel or college near the Guildhall. Dated London, 1 April, A.D. 1443. Roll 185 (18).

A.D.  
1456-7.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

A.D.  
1457.

Wetenhale (WILLIAM), grocer.—To be buried according to directions contained in his will touching his movables. To Alice his wife all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Mary de Wolchirchewawe for life, so that she forego her dower of his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Pancras; remainder to William his son and to Margaret, wife of the said William, daughter of William Hexstall, esquire, in special tail; remainder to his said son in tail general; remainder to John Colvyle, grocer, and Margaret his wife, the testator's daughter, in special tail; remainder to the said Margaret in tail general; remainder to Thomas Swetenham, grocer, in tail; remainder to the Wardens of the Mistery of Grocery of the City of London, in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 14 February, A.D. 1455.

Roll 185 (23\*).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

Farneham (WILLIAM), "sprier."—To William Grene, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Andrew in Holborn, and to the Masters or Wardens, Brethren and Sisters of the Guild or Fraternity of S. Sithe founded therein,<sup>1</sup> he leaves his brewery called "le Whitehert *super* le hoop," near the lane called "Loueronelane,"<sup>2</sup> charged with observing the obit of John Courtenay, late Principal of "Furnyvale In" in Holborn, and also with the maintenance of a chantry as directed. In case of default a certain rent is to go to the Prior and Convent of the Carthusian house near Westsmythfeld for the purpose of keeping

<sup>1</sup> This guild, says Strype, was possessed of a tenement called the "Plow" in Fetter Lane, together with houses, garden, &c., all of which came into the hands of King Edward VI. by virtue of the Act abolishing chantries passed in the second (*sic*) year of his reign, and

were by him granted to Thomas Bartlet, the King's printer (?), and Richard Mody (Stow's 'Survey,' Strype's ed., 1720, bk. iii. p. 218).

<sup>2</sup> Or Loneronelane? See Part I. p. 181. Probably identical with "Lyneroune-lane," *id.*, p. 367.

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the aforesaid obit ; remainder in default to the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's. Desires his will to be read and enrolled in the Husting of London immediately after his decease, according to the custom of the City. Dated 16 February, 34 Henry VI. [A.D. 1455-6]. Roll 185 (26).

*Monday the Feast of Translation of S. Benedict, Abbot [11 July].*

**Lyttelton** (JOHN), mercer.—To Alice his wife lands and tenements in the parish of S. Mary Abbechurch for life, on condition that she maintain a chantry in the said parish church during her lifetime for the good of his soul, the souls of Katherine his former wife, Henry his son, and others, and duly observe his obit ; remainder to Master Henry Sharpe, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary aforesaid and their successors, charged with the maintenance of a similar chantry, &c., the priest turning towards the congregation immediately after offering his mass<sup>1</sup> and saying, "*Ye shull specially prey for the soule of John Lyttelton, mercer, and Kateryn his wyf, and Henry the son of the said John Lyttelton, for whom to pray y am founded and ordeyned here, and for their soules and alle Cristen soules for charite every man and woman sey a pater noster and Ave,*" with special collects and other observances in manner prescribed. In case of default made in maintaining the said chantry and observing his obit as directed the property is to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London to the use of London Bridge, on condition the Masters or Wardens of the said bridge for the time being maintain a chantry and observe his obit in manner aforesaid. Dated London, 21 September, A.D. 1456. Roll 185 (29).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Carter** (JOHN), "Curreour."—To be buried in the church of S. Alphege before *le Pewe* where he used to sit. Bequests of sums of money to Richard his son, Margaret and Johanna his daughters. His feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in the parish of S. Alphege are directed to make a sufficient estate in law to

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 508.

Isabella his wife for life; remainders to his aforesaid children in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves a tenement in the parish of S. Stephen de Colmanstrete and the residue of movable goods, so that she devote a portion of the same for the good of his soul, as she would like him to do for her in similar case. Dated London, 27 December, A.D. 1456. Roll 185 (31).

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### ANNO 36 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Beaumont (THOMAS)**, late one of the Sheriffs<sup>1</sup> of the City of London; admitted into the freedom of the said City in the Art of the Mistery of Salters, being also in lot and scot<sup>2</sup> with the rest of the citizens.—To be buried according to instructions contained in another testament touching his movables. To the Wardens of the Fraternity and Guild of Corpus Christi in the church of All Hallows de Bredestrete, and brethren of the same, he leaves lands, tenements, and rents in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church for the souls of John Boterwyk, Alice, wife of the same, William Roote, Elizabeth, wife of the same, and others in manner prescribed. In default the property to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty to execute the terms of the devise. Dated London, 8 June, A.D. 1454. Roll 186 (1).

**Kenet (WILLIAM)**, saddler.—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Dunstan in Fletestrete. To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Saddlers a tenement in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Neugate, in free, pure, and perpetual alms for the maintenance of the Fraternity of the Blessed Mary founded in the mistery aforesaid. Also to the said wardens and commonalty he leaves two silver salts, parcel-gilt, for the use of the fraternity aforesaid. Dated London, 9 December, A.D. 1443.

Roll 186 (10).

<sup>1</sup> In 1442.

<sup>2</sup> *I. e.*, ready to serve in every office | becoming a good citizen, and paying his dues.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Sygar (WILLIAM)**, fishmonger.—His feoffees in trust of land and tenements in the parishes of S. Mary Magdalen at the Old Fish Market and S. Nicholas Coldabbey are directed to convey a life estate in the same to Margaret his wife, with remainder to William, John, Thomas, and Edward his sons, and Elizabeth, Sibil, Agnes, and Margaret his daughters, in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale, the proceeds to be devoted to assisting poor clerks in the universities of Oxford and Cambridge, repair of highways, and other charitable uses. Also to John his son he leaves lands and tenements at Potenhithe, co. Surrey, in tail; remainder over to his other sons and daughters. Agnes his daughter mentioned as being the wife of John Bernewell, fishmonger, and Margaret his daughter as wife of Thomas Padyngton, fishmonger. Dated 22 December, A.D. 1455. Roll 186 (16).

**Beaumont (THOMAS)**, salter.—To the Wardens of the Fraternity and Guild of Corpus Christi in the church of All Hallows de Bredestrete, and brethren and sisters of the same, he leaves divers lands and tenements, comprising a parcel of land whereon a hall was in course of erection (*ubi modo edificatur*) called "Salters-halle,"<sup>1</sup> and six mansion houses newly erected in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, and a tenement called "le Brokenseld" in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen de Milkestrete; charged with keeping the said tenements in repair, and with the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church, and observance of his obit, &c., in manner directed. The wardens aforesaid to distribute annually a sum of twenty shillings among the poor of his art, and to maintain six poor members of his art in the six mansions aforesaid as bedesmen, paying to each of them a weekly sum of sevenpence.<sup>2</sup> In case of default made in carrying out the terms

<sup>1</sup> The Salters, says Herbert ('Livery Companies,' ii. 560), are known to have had at least four halls before their present one in S. Swithin's Lane. Their first hall was in Bread Street, and was much injured by fire in 1533. The mansions here mentioned served as the Company's almshouses. Herbert quotes this will in the passage cited, but incorrectly gives its date as 1151 instead of 1451, and leads one to suppose that

it was in English instead of Latin. He further represents, upon the authority of Stow, the first hall of the Salters as having been damaged by fire in 1533, when the year given by Stow himself is 1539 ('Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 130).

<sup>2</sup> The Company, in their return to the Livery Companies Commission of 1880 (Report, 1884, vol. ii. p. 526), say that in 1833 an information was filed

of the devise the property is to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London to the use of London Bridge, for maintaining the aforesaid chantry and undertaking all other liabilities aforesaid. Dated London, 24 March, A.D. 1454.

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Roll 186 (17).

*Monday next before the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

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**Beaumont (THOMAS)**, salter.—To the Wardens of the Fraternity and Guild of Corpus Christi in the church of All Hallows de Bredstrete, and brethren and sisters of the same, he leaves a tenement called “le White Bull” in Bredstret in the parish of All Hallows, and another tenement and garden situate in the parishes of S. George near Estchepe and S. Andrew Huberd, near the lane lately called “Fynkeslane,” and now called “Podynglane”;<sup>1</sup> charged with the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice and Alice his late wives, his friends, parents, and of the faithful who shall have died in the University of Oxford within seven years after his decease. The chantry priest to go once a year to the vill of Watlyngton and there say a mass for the souls aforesaid. The residue of the issues and profits of the said tenements to be devoted to the relief of poor members of the fraternity and guild. In case of default the property to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London for the time being to the use of London Bridge, for the maintenance of a chantry in the University of Oxford for the space of seven years. Dated London, the last day of October, A.D. 1452.

Roll 186 (20).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

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**Kelsey (ROGER)**, draper.—To be buried in the church or churchyard of S. Michael upon Cornhull. To Sir William Withham, the

against them, praying a declaration that all the rents and profits of the property here devised were applicable to charitable uses. The petitioners failed in their object, and it was ordered (7 May, 1841) by the Vice-Chancellor that the Company should make certain weekly and yearly payments to the six almsfolk of the foundation of Thomas Beaumont (*sic*) in respect of various gifts made to the Company from time

to time. These payments amounted to 9*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* per annum to each almsperson; but the sum now actually paid to each is 39*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.*, besides two and a half tons of coal, medical attendance, &c. The Company, moreover, have laid out considerable sums of money in building and repairing the almshouses, which in 1863 were removed to Watford at a cost (inclusive of land) of 3,773*l.* 8*s.* 2*d.*

<sup>1</sup> See note, Part I. p. 44.

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rector, and churchwardens of the said church and their successors he leaves a certain tenement situate in *le Chirch Aley* in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid. Also to the rector of the said church and to the Wardens of the Fraternity of S. Michael therein he leaves a tenement called "le Egle on the hoop" in the parish of S. Peter upon Cornhull, a tenement called "le Aungell on the hoop" in the parish of S. Botolph without Bisshoppesgate, and a tenement called "le Cony *super* le hoop" in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, in pure and perpetual alms in aid of the said fraternity for duly observing an obit in the church of S. Michael aforesaid for the souls of Thomas Kent and of Elizabeth, wife of the same, and other pious and charitable uses in manner as directed. Also to the aforesaid rector and to the Wardens of the Fraternity and Guild of S. Anne in the same church he leaves tenements near the lane formerly called "Roperelane," and now called "Love-lane," in the parish of S. Mary atte Hille, for the maintenance of the said guild. Dated London, 26 March, A.D. 1455.

Roll 186 (29).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Carpenter**<sup>1</sup> (KATHERINE, relict of JOHN junior, late Common Clerk of the City).—To be buried according to directions contained in another testament touching her movables. To Hugh Damelet, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of S. Peter upon Cornhull, an annual quitrent of thirty-three shillings issuing from a certain tenement belonging to the Mayor and Commonalty called "Bakwelhalle"<sup>2</sup> in the parish of S. Michael

<sup>1</sup> A translation of this will is to be found appended to Brewer's 'Life of Carpenter,' together with another will of the testatrix, dated 7 February, 35 Henry VI. [A.D. 1456-7], transcribed from the Registry of the Commissary Court of London.

<sup>2</sup> Corruptly called Blackwell Hall. The history of this hall, which was situate next to the Guildhall Chapel and served as a market for woollen cloth, is very obscure. It probably derived its name from the family of Bakwell, Bauquell, or Banquell; but whether it was so called from any particular individual of the family,

and, if so, from which, it is difficult to determine. We find a grant from the citizens and Aldermen and the whole *Communa* of the City to one John de Banquell or Bauquell of certain property near the Guildhall as early as 1293—Hust. Roll 22 (55). In 1337 mention is made of a "chamber of the late John de Baukewell" near the Guildhall, which Riley at once recognizes as Blackwell Hall ('Memorials,' p. 195). In 1395 the "manor of Bakwellehalle" appears as formerly the property of Robert Bakwelle, rector of the church of All Hallows, Bread Street, who had acquired it from William de



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in Bassyeshawe, and from other lands and tenements belonging to the said Mayor and Commonalty in the parishes of S. Peter upon Cornhull and S. Botolph near Billyngesgate, which were granted to her jointly with others by gift of John Gedney, late Mayor,<sup>1</sup> and of the Commonalty of the City of London, so that the said rector, &c., duly observe an obit for the good of her soul and the soul of her late husband, with all the ceremony, charitable gifts, and religious services at the tomb of her late husband as are here in her will set out. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of the bequest the aforesaid rents are to go over to the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of the church of S. Martin Oteswich for similar uses in the said church. Also to the last-mentioned rector, &c., she leaves other rents issuing from a tenement upon Oysterhill in the parish of S. Magnus near London Bridge, for keeping an obit for the good of her soul, the souls of John her late husband, Richard his father, Cristina his mother, and others at the tomb of the said Richard and Cristina in manner as directed; remainder in default to the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of the church of S. Peter upon Cornhull for like purposes. To Thomas Eytburhale, Master of the College of S. Michael in the Rirole, and chaplains of the same, she leaves certain rents issuing from a tenement in the parish of All Hallows, Berkyngechirch, for keeping an obit as above, with further remainder in default to the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of the church of S. Michael Bassyeshawe. Also to the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of the church of S. Peter upon Cornhull she leaves certain other rents issuing from the aforesaid tenement called "Bakwelhalle" for a term of years towards the maintenance of a chantry. Dated London, Wednesday the last day but one<sup>2</sup> of the month of March, A.D. 1457.

Roll 186 (36).

Bakwell his brother, but where this manor was situate we are not told—Hust. Roll 124 (57). Lastly we have a deed of the year 1396 whereby John Fresssh, William Parker, and Stephen Speleman, citizens and mercers, convey to the Mayor and Commonalty, with the royal licence, a messuage called "Bakwellehalle" and a garden situate in the parishes of S. Michael de Bassyngeshawe and S. Laurence in the

Jewry, to the use of the Commonalty—Hust. Roll 125 (65). After being totally destroyed by the fire of 1666 the hall was rebuilt, and only finally removed in 1820 to make room for the erection of Law Courts, which also in their turn have since disappeared.

<sup>1</sup> In 1447.<sup>2</sup> Incorrectly printed by Brewer as "the last day" of the month.

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## ANNO 37 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].***Drayton (JOHN)**, goldsmith.<sup>1</sup>—Dated 27 December, 35 Henry VI.  
[A.D. 1456]. Roll 187 (1\*).A.D.  
1459.*Monday next after the Feast of S. Botolph, Abbot [17 June].*

**Weston (THOMAS)**, fishmonger.—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Nicholas Coldabbey in the Old Fish Market, and a marble monument to be over his tomb with effigies of himself, of Cibil (*sic*) his wife, and their seventeen children. Bequests to the said church and chaplains thereof; also for chantries, observance of his month's mind, &c. To Cibil his wife, by way of her share of his goods, he leaves two hundred marks and all the utensils, hustilments, &c., appertaining to his house, with the exception of two cups, one of silver and the other of mazer, which he leaves to John Stoppyngdon. Bequests of sums of money to Reginald and John his sons, Margaret, Johanna, Alice, and Amy his daughters, and to his child *en ventre sa mère*. His executors appointed guardians of his children and of their portions, they giving security for the same according to the custom in the Chamber of the Guildhall. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves, by way of dower of his lands and tenements within the City, a moiety of his moiety of the wharf called "le Saltwharf" in the parish of S. Michael at Queenhithe and of all buildings thereupon for life; remainder to the Wardens of the Art of Fishmongery (*artis piscarie*) of the City of London and their successors, together with the rest of his estate in the said wharf, &c., to the use of the said art within the Old Fish Market, charged with the payment of thirteen shillings and fourpence towards an obit within the church of S. Nicholas Coldabbey in honour of divers persons mentioned, and with charitable gifts, &c., as directed.<sup>2</sup> In default the property to go over to the rector and

<sup>1</sup> Nothing more than the record of probate appears in the Roll.

<sup>2</sup> The Company, in their return to the Livery Companies Commission of 1880, say that the sum of 6s. 8d. has been paid for many years to the churchwardens of the parish of S. Nicholas

Coleabbey in respect of this benefaction. How the sum of 6s. 8d. came to take the place of the original sum of 13s. 4d. mentioned in the will is not quite clear, but it probably represents the residue of the sum of 13s. 4d. after disbursements for superstitious uses.

churchwardens of the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid for like purposes. Dated London, 15 December, A.D. 1435.

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Roll 187 (43).

# ANNO 38 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Martin in Yeme [11 Nov.].*

**Chynnore** (THOMAS), fishmonger.—To be buried in the monastery of S. Mary of Graces near the Tower. Releases a portion of a debt due to him from the abbot and convent of the said monastery, on condition they maintain a chantry in their chapel of S. Anne for the good of his soul. To Johanna his wife he leaves his interest in a mansion situate within the close of the Hospital of S. Katherine near the Tower. His feoffees in trust of lands and tenements in the parishes of S. John in Walbroke, S. Dunstan in le Est, S. Mary de Fanchirche, and elsewhere within the City, as well as in the parish of Chynnore and elsewhere in the county of Oxford, are directed to convey the same to his aforesaid wife, her heirs and assigns. The reversion of certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Mary atte Hill near Billingesgate and elsewhere within the City he leaves to the Wardens of the Art or Mistery of Fishmongers of the City, to the use of the commonalty of the said art or mistery. Dated within the close of S. Katherine aforesaid, 6 January, A.D. 1442.

Roll 188 (12).

**Merssh** (ROGER), clerk, citizen and mercer.—To be buried in the new chapel called “Shiryngton Chapell” near the north door of S. Paul’s. To the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul’s Church he leaves tenements and shops in the parishes of S. Mary de Bothaw and S. John upon Walbrok, charged with the observance of the obit of Walter Shiryngton, late Canon Stagiary in the said church, in manner as directed. The residue of the issues and profits, after disbursement of charges, to be placed in the chest containing the property of Walter Shiryngton’s chantry,<sup>1</sup> and used for the maintenance of the

<sup>1</sup> Among the archives of S. Paul’s is a list of the bags of money found by his executors in an iron chest in the vestry of S. Paul’s, anno 27 Henry VI. | The money, which was partly in gold and partly in groats, amounted to more than 1,100*l*. (Appendix to Ninth Report, Hist. MSS. Commission, p. 58 a).

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said tenements as well as of the chapel aforesaid, and of the chamber and library annexed thereto. His testament to be enrolled in the Husting of London, according to the custom, immediately after his decease, and title deeds touching the above property are to be delivered by one of his executors to the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's. He further undertakes upon oath not to alter his will in respect of the tenements aforesaid without the assent of the Dean and Chapter. Dated London, 10 September, A.D. 1457. Roll 188 (13).

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1459-60.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

Rowell (JOHN), otherwise called "Grymesby," brewer.—To the rector and churchwardens of the parish church of S. Andrew in Holborn he leaves certain lands and tenements in the lane called "Faytereslane," subject to a charge of thirty-two shillings by the year for a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Avice Edyman, Thomas Knolles, grocer, and others. The residue of the issues and profits to be devoted to the construction of a belfry and of the north-west end of the church of S. Andrew aforesaid, or to the use of the Guild or Fraternity of S. Sithe therein, at the discretion of the said rector, &c. Dated London, Thursday next after the Nativity of S. John Baptist [24 June], A.D. 1447.

Roll 188 (29).

Strete (SIMON), grocer.—To be buried in the church of S. Antonin.<sup>1</sup> To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Grocers of the City of London he leaves a tenement in Honylane in the parish of All Hallows de Honylane, near tenements called "Bosum is Inne"<sup>2</sup> and "le Hole Bole," together with the advowson of the said parish church, so that the said wardens and commonalty duly observe the obit of Thomas, son of Thomas Knolles, late grocer, within the said church in manner as directed

<sup>1</sup> An epitaph of a Simon Streete, also a grocer, but who appears to have died A.D. 1400 and to have been buried in S. Antonin's Church, is thus set out by Stow ('Survey,' Thoms's edition, 1876, p. 95):—

Such as I am, such shall you be,  
Grocer of London sometime was I,  
The King's wayer more then yeares  
twentie,

Simon Streete called in my place,  
And good fellowship faine would trace;  
Therefore in heaven, everlasting life,  
Jesu send me, and Agnes my wife:  
Kerlie Merlie, my words were tho,  
And *Deo gratias* I coupled thereto:  
I passed to God in the yeare of grace,  
A thousand foure hundred it was.

<sup>2</sup> Still remembered in Blossom Inn Yard, S. Laurence Lane, Cheapside.

at an expenditure of twenty shillings. In default the tenement and advowson aforesaid to remain to Richard Keteryk, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Antonin and their successors, for similar uses. Also to the rector and churchwardens of S. Antonin aforesaid he leaves an annual rent of five marks issuing from tenements in the parish of S. Antonin for the maintenance of a chantry as set out; remainder in default to the Master and Brethren of the Hospital of S. Bartholomew in Westsmythfeld for like purpose. Dated London, 14 March, A.D. 1456. Roll 188 (30).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Body (JOHN)**, "peyntour."—To Master Stephen Germen, the rector of the church of S. Augustine at S. Paul's Gate, and his successors he leaves a tenement and parcel of land within the parish of S. Augustine aforesaid in pure and perpetual alms. Dated London, Thursday, 15 January, A.D. 1455.

Roll 188 (33).

**Frowyk<sup>1</sup> (HENRY)**, mercer, late Alderman.—To be buried in the church of S. Thomas the Martyr called "de Acon," as in his testament touching his movable goods more fully is declared. To William Morlond, the rector, churchwardens and other parishioners of the church of S. Mary le Bow, tenements in Watlyngstrete in the parish of S. Antonin at the corner of Sooperlane, and also in Walbroke in the parish of S. Stephen upon Walbroke, and in the parish of S. Michael de Wodestrete, charged with the maintenance of a chantry at the altar of S. Nicholas in the church of S. Mary aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of John Coventre, mercer and Alderman, and others, in manner as directed. Also he leaves the said rector, &c., an iron-bound chest with instrument called "le Bolt" of iron over the lock, wherein to keep all title deeds, &c., touching the aforesaid property, and the surplus rents and profits. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of his devise the property is to go over to the Masters, Wardens or Guardians, and Commonalty of the Mistery of Mercery

<sup>1</sup> Second son of Henry de Frowyk, Alderman of Bassishaw Ward; Sheriff, whose will is enrolled *supra*, p. 253; 1427; Mayor in 1435, and again in 1444.

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**1459-60.** of London for like purposes; and further in default, to the Mayor, Chamberlain, and Commonalty of the City for the time being. Dated London, 19 April, A.D. 1459. Roll 188 (36).

**A.D.**  
**1460.** *Monday next before the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Frowyk (HENRY)**, mercer and Alderman.—To John Neel, Master of the House or Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr de Acon, and brethren of the same, an annual quitrent of ten marks issuing from lands and tenements in the parish of All Hallows de Bredstrete, so that the said master, &c., pray for his soul and the soul of Isabella his wife, and duly observe the obit of William Oliver and of Matilda, wife of the same, as directed; and further that the said master maintain and educate two boys as choristers (*Choristas sive Paraphonistas*), the said boys to be chosen for their good character and voices and for no other reason (*absque omni carnali affectione*), one of them to be known as “Frowykes Querester” and the other as “Oliveres Querester.”<sup>1</sup> Dated London, 7 September, A.D. 1453. Roll 188 (38).

#### ANNO 39 HENRY VI.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Aston (WILLIAM)**, citizen and freeman of the City of London.—To Thomas Methley, Prior of the House or Priory of H. Trinity de Bella Valle<sup>2</sup> of the Carthusian Order in the county of Nottingham, and convent of the same, he leaves an annual rent of ten pounds six shillings and eightpence issuing from his lands and tenements situate without Ludgate in the parish of S. Martin near Ludgate, charged with an annual payment of seven marks to a chantry in the church of S. Mary at Thyngden, co. Northampton, where his daughter Agnes lies buried, or in the parish church of S. John the Baptist at Dronfeld, co. Derby, for the good of his soul, the souls of Adam and Emma his parents, Johanna and Johanna his wives, and others. Directions as to appointment to the said chantry, &c. Also to Master John Kermerdyn, the

<sup>1</sup> See the will of William Olyver, founded by Nicholas de Cantiluppo, 17 *supra*, p. 460. Edward III. (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.',

<sup>2</sup> Beauvale, near Greasley, co. Notts, p. 411).

rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the church of S. Martin aforesaid, he leaves all the aforesaid lands and tenements, subject to the above rentcharge, so that the said rector, &c., duly observe his obit and carry out his wishes in other particulars as directed. In case of default the above legacies to be void, and the lands and tenements aforesaid are to go over to the Prior and Convent of the House of the Salutation of the Blessed Mary of the Carthusian Order near London, to execute his wishes. Dated London, 16 February, A.D. 1456.

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1460.

Roll 189 (11).

ANNO 49 HENRY VI.<sup>1</sup>A.D.  
1470.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Martin in Yeme [11 Nov.].*

**Jordon (HERRY), fishmonger.**—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph without Algate, where Johane his wife lies buried. To the Wardens of the Commonalty of the Mistery or Craft of Fishmongers of the City of London all his lands and tenements in the lane called “Belleyeterslane” in the parish of S. Katherine Cricchirch within Algate, and also in the parish of S. Brigid in Fletestrete, charged with the maintenance of a priest in the church of S. Botolph aforesaid to pray for his soul, the souls of Johane his wife, Gyles Jordon and Margaret, wife of the same, Richard Hyll and Johane, wife of the same, and others, and also with the due observance of his obit or anniversary in manner as directed. Among other duties imposed by the testator upon the wardens of the commonalty aforesaid is that of delivering one hundred and thirty-eight quarters of coals, or money to buy the same at eightpence per quarter, to divers poor members of the several crafts of Fishmongers and Founders, and to certain poor parishioners of S. Brigid in Fletestrete, S. Botolph, Aldgate, S. Katherine beside Cricchirche, and others.<sup>2</sup> The Mayor of the City for the

<sup>1</sup> *Et Readpcionis sue Regie potestatis anno primo.* It has not been considered worth while to disturb the series of Rolls as numbered for the purpose of placing the wills in Roll 190 in their strictly chronological place.

<sup>2</sup> Particulars of the specific quantity of coals and the number of poor house-

holders in the different streets and parishes named in the will are set out in Mr. Hare's Report to the Commissioners in 1861 (Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. iv. p. 248). In 1832 it was declared by Vice-Chancellor Sir Lancelot Shadwell, in answer to a petition against the Fishmongers' Com-

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time being to see that the terms of his will are carried out, and to have for his trouble ten shillings; and the Common Clerk of the City to have three shillings and fourpence "to remembre the Mair of the said charges." In case of default made in executing the terms of his bequests, the property is to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty for the time being, and the issues and profits, after payment of all charges, to be devoted to the maintenance of London Bridge, and of a chantry in S. Thomas's Chapel upon the same. Dated 15 October, A.D. 1468. Roll 190 (1).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Nicholas, Bishop [6 Dec.].*

Gregory<sup>1</sup> (WILLIAM), skinner, late Alderman.—To William Say,<sup>2</sup> clerk, Professor of Divinity, Dean of S. Paul's, and to the chapter of the same church, he leaves certain lands, tenements, &c., in the parish of S. Michael in Crookedlane. Dated London, 1 May, A.D. 1465. Roll 190 (3).

Uphaveryng (JOHN), skinner.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary de Aldermarychirch, where Matilda his late wife lies buried. Bequests for the maintenance of a chantry in the said church for the space of five years next after his decease; also to Peter his father, Alice, wife of the said Peter, William his uncle, Alice, wife of John Lely, goldsmith, his servants, apprentices, and others. To the Fraternity of S. John the Baptist maintained by the Tailors of London twenty shillings. A marble monument to be put up over the tombs of his

pany to the Lord Chancellor, that the intention of the testator was that certain specified objects of charity should receive certain definite sums only, and that the surplus should go to the Company as a benefit to them, and not that the whole of the land should go for charitable uses. This decision was upheld by Lord Chancellor Brougham on appeal. The Company continue the expenditure of one hundred and thirty-eight eightpences (4l. 12s.) for the relief of poor parishioners of S. Botolph, Aldgate, S. Catherine Cree, and S. Bride, and of certain freemen of the Company.

<sup>1</sup> His will, with seal attached, is pre-

served among the archives of S. Paul's Cathedral.

<sup>2</sup> According to Newcourt ('Repertorium,' i. 44) he was appointed Dean of S. Paul's in 1457, and died in 1468; on the other hand, we find William Vale devising lands for a chantry for the good of the soul of William Say, "late" Dean of S. Paul's, by will dated 1452, preserved among the Cathedral's archives. (See Appendix to Ninth Report, Hist. MSS. Com., p. 48 b.) It would appear that Mr. Maxwell Lyte, the editor of the Calendar of the Archives of the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's, has inadvertently caused 1452 to be printed (perhaps) for 1472.



mother and grandfather in the churchyard of Hornechirche, co. Essex, and another monument over himself, engraved with his arms. Also to the fabric of the parish church of Hornchirch, where he was baptized, forty shillings. His executors to expend one hundred pounds for the good of his soul. The residue of his goods and chattels he leaves to Johanna his wife, late wife of John Lemman, skinner. To the Master and Wardens of the Craft of Skinners of London the reversion of a tenement called "le Meriole" in Westchepe in the parish of All Hallows de Honylane, after the decease of his said wife, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of Aldermary, and with the observance of his obit, &c.; in default of which, the property is to go over to the Mayor, Commonalty, and Chamberlain of the Guildhall for like purposes. Dated London, 27 August, A.D. 1448.

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Roll 190 (4).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

**Clyff** (JOHN), skinner.—To the Master and Wardens of the Guild or Fraternity of Corpus Christi in the church of S. John upon Walbroke and brethren of the same, and to Henry Cros, rector of the said church, he leaves divers lands and tenements near Basynglane and Cordewanerstrete in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermary, charged with the repair of the same, and with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Mary aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna Creke and of William Bedell, Richard Swan, and John Creke her husbands, and others, in manner as directed. In case of default made in carrying out his instructions the property is to go over to the Master and Brethren of the House of S. Thomas de Acon for like purposes; and again in default, to the Wardens of London Bridge for the repair and maintenance of the said bridge. Dated London, 3 July, A.D. 1455.

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Roll 190 (7).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

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**Herst or Hurst** (JOHN), skinner.—To be buried according to directions contained in another testament touching his movables.

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To Agnes his wife a certain tenement in the parish of S. Stephen de Walbrook for life; remainder to William Trokyll, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Stephen de Walbrook and their successors, charged with keeping the same in repair, with the maintenance, out of the issues and profits, of a chantry, and with the observance of his obit, &c., in manner as directed. The devisees are enjoined not to remove the glass windows and lattices from out of the tenement, nor the lavatory, nor the beam for the candle of *coton*, nor the large cupboards, but the same are to be left for the benefit of the tenement. In case of default the tenement is to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London to the use and maintenance of London Bridge, charged with keeping his obit as above. Dated London, 20 November, A.D. 1447. Roll 191 (15).

**Gregory (WILLIAM)**, of the parish of S. John in Walbroke, skinner.—To be buried in the said parish church beside the seat in the chancel where he used to sit. To the Fraternity or Brotherhood of Corpus Christi of the Skinners of London, towards the sustentation of the same brotherhood, he leaves forty shillings. Also to the Fraternity of Our Lady of the Skinners of London thirteen shillings and fourpence. To Agnes his wife all his stuff and hustilments of household, except his wearing gowns with furs and lining and his gowns single, his furs wrought and unwrought, and all other stuff pertaining to his craft of skinner, which are to be sold, together with lands, tenements, and rents in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate, for payment of debts. Also to his said wife he leaves his copyhold and charter lands, tenements, &c., in the lordship of Newenton, co. Middlesex, and the parish of Hakenay, for life; remainder in trust for sale for discharge of debts and for pious uses. Dated 5 July, A.D. 1461.

Roll 191 (20).

**Bolle (JOHN)**, grocer.—To be buried in the church of All Hallows, Berking. Bequests to the "Vicary" and other priests of the said church, and also for a chantry therein for one year next after his decease. For the work of the steeple of the church of "Chartham," co. Kent, where he was born, he leaves five pounds. To John his son, on arriving at the full age of

twenty-eight years, he leaves twenty pounds, a great high standing cup of silver party gilt, covered, with his mark in the bottom, and a low cup of silver, uncovered, with a mark of the month of January in the bottom; his said son to be maintained by Blanche his wife in the meanwhile, and on leaving to have bedding, napery, and other household necessities to the value of ten pounds. To Richard and Thomas his brothers he leaves furred gowns; and to Alice Redehode his sister he forgives a debt of forty shillings and gives her "a stondyng pece," on condition she forego all claim to his lands called "the Serte" in "Chartham." Also to Blanche his wife a tenement in the lane called "Waterlane," sometime called "Sporyerslane," in the parish of All Hallows, Berking, with messuages in Tourestrete, for life; remainder or reversion to be sold for payment of debts and pious and charitable uses. To Thomas Redehode his sister's son he leaves his interest in the Wollehous or Herynghous at Caleys. His tenement called "the Shewe" at Caleys, lying in the Newstrete, to be sold for discharge of debts, &c. Dated 9 August, 37 Henry VI., A.D. 1449<sup>1</sup> (*sic*). Roll 191 (23).

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1461.

**Bolle (JOHN)**, grocer.—Testament touching lands and tenements held for him in trust in the county of Kent. To William Bolle his half-brother and wife of the same, daughter of John Morley, he leaves "a litell hous with the hemphawe lieng atte the postile" in the parish of Chartham, on condition they forego all claim to other property formerly belonging to the said John Morley. To Blanche his wife a life interest in all his lands, tenements, &c., in the parishes of Chartham, Chilham, Feversham, Canterbury, and elsewhere in the county of Kent, subject to the payment of six shillings and eightpence yearly for keeping his obit in the church of Chartham; remainder to John his son in tail; remainders to Richard and Thomas his brothers in successive tail male, with further remainders to John, son of Henry Bolle his brother, and others, subject always to the above charge of six shillings and eightpence. His "grete place" in Shamelford mentioned. Dated 9 August, A.D. 1459.

Roll 191 (23\*).

<sup>1</sup> Mistake for 1459.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*

**Lynder (JOHN)**, "joynour."—To be buried according to directions contained in another testament touching his movable goods. His lands, tenements, &c., in the parishes of S. James de Garlykhithe and S. Mary de Wolnoth to be sold by his executors, and the Wardens of his Craft of "Joynours" to have the option of purchasing the same for the benefit of the said craft, if they will, at a price less than to others by twenty pounds. The proceeds to be devoted to the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. James aforesaid, to the repair of bridges and highways, and other pious and charitable uses. Katherine his wife and Richard his brother appointed executors, together with William Lee, "joynour." Dated London, 3 December, A.D. 1461.

Roll 191 (38).

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1462.

#### ANNO 2 EDWARD IV.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Davy (ELIAS)**, mercer.—To be buried in the church of S. John the Baptist at Croydon, co. Surrey. Bequests to the church of S. Michael in Bassyngeshawe, comprising a missal, chalice, and vestment of *Bawdekyn* of divers colours, and to poor parishioners. To Elena his wife, by way of her share of his goods, he leaves one hundred pounds sterling, silver cups, spoons, &c. To Alice Dilman his servant twenty marks, and she to have the next vacancy in his almshouse. Bequests of money or chattels to Elias Derby his godson, John, son of the same, Idonia, daughter of Henry Ryslep, and others. To the Masters or Wardens of the Mistery of Mercery of the City of London and commonalty of the same he leaves three messuages in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, charged with maintaining certain religious observances annually at the tomb of Matilda his late wife in S. Mary's Chapel in the church of S. Thomas de Acon in manner as directed; remainder in case of default to the Master and Brethren of the Hospital of S. Thomas de Acon. Dated London, 3 November, A.D. 1455.

Roll 192 (16).

## ANNO 3 EDWARD IV.

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1463.*Monday next before the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Malweyn (WILLIAM)**, skinner.—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. John upon Walbroke. Bequests to the said church; also to John Snell, the rector, and churchwardens of the same and their successors, he leaves certain rents in the parish of S. Michael de Paternosterchirche, which he had acquired from the Master and Commonalty of the Mistery of Cutlers of the City of London, in aid of a chantry. Dated London, the last day of July, A.D. 1420. Roll 193 (13).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Fordell (RICHARD)**, draper.—To be buried according to directions contained in another testament touching his movables. To John Pemberton, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Bartholomew the Less in the Ward of Bradstrete and their successors, he leaves a garden in the parish of S. Margaret in Lothebury, for the maintenance of a lamp to burn before the crucifix in the nave of the said church, and so that they pray for his soul, the souls of Thomas Pike, late draper, Alice, wife of the same, and others. In default the garden to remain to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London for the maintenance of a lamp in the chapel of the Guildhall, with further remainder in case of default to the Wardens of London Bridge for the maintenance of the bridge. Dated London, the last day of May, A.D. 1455. Roll 193 (16).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

**Godyn (JOHN)**, brewer.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael in Bassyngeshawe, where lies the body of Katherine his late wife. To John his son the sum of twenty marks, to be paid by Isabella his wife, relict of John Carter, within six years after his decease, for the repair of tenements coming to his said son at his death, in the parishes of Dokesford<sup>1</sup> and Witlisfordbrigge,<sup>2</sup> co. Cambridge. His reversionary interest in a brewery called "le Belle on the hoop" and in a bakehouse in the parish

<sup>1</sup> Duxford.<sup>2</sup> Whittlesford.

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**1463.** of S. Michael aforesaid to be released to his aforesaid wife, to whom he also leaves the residue of his goods and chattels to be disposed of in works of charity for the good of his soul. Richard Carter, son of Isabella his wife, appointed one of his executors. Dated London, 29 .....,<sup>1</sup> A.D. 1463. Roll 193 (23).

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**1468-4.**

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Maur, Abbot [15 Jan.].*

**West (WILLIAM)**, "marbeler."—To John Cracall, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Margaret de Briggestrete, and to the Wardens of the Fraternity or Society of Fishmongers of Briggestrete and their successors, he leaves the reversion of certain shops in Briggestrete in the parish of S. Magnus, charged with the observance of the obit of Thomas Wyche, late fishmonger. In default the said shops to remain to the rector of the church of S. Magnus aforesaid for the time being and the Wardens or Masters of the Fraternity of *Salve Regina* and of S. Thomas the Martyr therein, for keeping the aforesaid obit and for assisting apprentices and others of the Craft of Fishmongers of Briggestrete. Dated London, 12 November, A.D. 1447.

Roll 193 (33).

**A.D.**  
**1464.**

#### ANNO 4 EDWARD IV.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Carter (THOMAS)**, "curreour."—To Johanna his wife, by way of dower of his lands and tenements, he leaves two tenements in the parish of S. Stephen de Colmanstrete, together with a parcel of a toft of land or garden, and a stable and house called "Shedde" adjoining, lying in the same parish, for life; remainder to Johanna, Margaret, Margery, and Clemence his daughters in successive tail. Certain other tenements in the same parish he leaves in the hands of trustees for a term of fourteen years; remainder to his aforesaid daughters. Dated London, 15 September, A.D. 1463.

Roll 194 (19).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Crowmere (WILLIAM)**, draper.—To be buried in the church of

<sup>1</sup> Month omitted.

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S. Martin Orgar near Candelwykstrete in S. Mary's Chapel, where Katherine his late wife lies buried. To John Nicholl, the rector of the said church, and successors he leaves all his lands and tenements in the parish and lane of S. Swithun near Candelwykstrete, and certain quitrents in the lane called "Hardeleslane" in the parish of S. Martin in the Vintry,<sup>1</sup> charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Katherine his late wife and others, the chantry priest turning towards the congregation at every mass, after the Gospel and before washing his hands, and saying these words: "*For the soules of William Croumer and Katerine his wyf, here fadres and modres, bretheren, sustren, and children, and all Cristen for charite Pater noster.*" The residue of the issues and profits, after payment of charges, to be devoted to the repair of the said tenements and the maintenance of church and ornaments. In default the property to go over to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City of London for maintenance of divine worship in the chapel of the Guildhall. To Margaret his wife lands and houses in the parish of S. Olave near the Tower for life, charged with the observance of his obit, and paying to each of the four Guardians or Wardens of his Art of Drapers of the City of London who attend his obit the sum of twenty pence, and other sums to divers chaplains, &c.; remainder to the rector of the church of S. Martin Orgar and successors for similar pious uses in manner as directed, with further remainder in case of default to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City for maintaining divine worship in the Guildhall Chapel as above. Dated London, 9 March, A.D. 1431. Roll 194 (23).

<sup>1</sup> Mr. Hare reported in 1872 that the annual income of the property here devised amounted to nearly 2,000*l*. A proposal was made about that time by the rector and churchwardens for regulating the charity, which recommended that, after various disbursements, the residue should be appropriated in aid of the rates assessed upon the property in the parish. This was strongly opposed by Mr. Hare, who was in favour of immediately filing an information, so as to render the

parish officers personally liable for any such application of the fund after notice, and with the view of having a scheme prepared and settled under the direction of the Court of Chancery or by Her Majesty under her sign manual (Appendix to Report of Royal City Parochial Charities Com., 1880, vol. iii. pp. 232-4). The charities of the parish of S. Martin Orgar are within the purview of the City of London Parochial Acts, 1883 (46 & 47 Vict. c. 36).

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1465.

## ANNO 5 EDWARD IV.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**West (WILLIAM)**, "marbeler."—To Henry Perveys, son of John Perveys, late Alderman,<sup>1</sup> he leaves certain lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Martin Oteswich, S. Benedict Fynk, and S. Margaret de Briggestrete, to hold the same in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. The aforesaid lands and tenements had formerly belonged to John Perveys, Alderman, and had been devised to Johanna, wife of the said John, for life, with remainders to John and Henry his sons in successive tail, but owing to the co-feoffees of the said Alderman having neglected to release their interest in the aforesaid property to him, the terms of his will<sup>2</sup> could not be executed; the testator therefore, having become solely seised of the same, devises them in accordance with the known wishes of the said John. Dated 17 July, A.D. 1442. Roll 195 (28).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Lurchyn (JOHN)**, grocer.—To the Wardens of the Mistery of Grocery of London and commonalty of the same certain tenements formerly belonging to Thomas, son of Thomas Knolles, grocer, situate in the parish of S. Mary Bothawe,<sup>3</sup> in aid of poor almsfolk of the said mistery. Dated London, 5 July, A.D. 1459. Roll 195 (36).

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1465-6.*Monday next before the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

**Hatherle (JOHN)**, Alderman, citizen and "irmonger."—To be buried in the church of S. Michael, Queenhithe. To William Frestone, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the said church, he leaves a vestry lately built by him under his tenement in the lane called "Trinitelane," near the north

<sup>1</sup> Castle Baynard Ward.<sup>2</sup> Enrolled *supra*, p. 496.<sup>3</sup> These tenements are said to have been situated in Cannon Street, and to have been destroyed in the Fire of London. Mr. Hare reported in 1863 that the property was incapable

of identification, but that in an index to the book of wills belonging to the Company, dated 1762, there was a note to the effect that the charity of Sir William Laxton for the Free Grammar School of Oundle has had credit for the Cannon Street property of the testator.



aisle (*insula<sup>1</sup> borialis*) of the said church called "le Gilde," to hold the same in pure and perpetual alms for the good of his soul, the souls of Isabella, Johanna, and Margaret his wives, and others, and upon condition that the small parish churchyard should cease to be used except under pressing necessity, and that deceased parishioners and others be for the future buried in S. Paul's churchyard. To the Prior and Convent of the Salutation of the Mother of God of the Carthusian Order tenements and wharf in Debillane in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, subject to certain charges for the maintenance of a chantry in the said parish church, the observance of his obit, charitable distribution, &c., in manner as directed. Also to the said prior and convent he leaves certain other tenements in the same parish for the maintenance of a chantry and for gifts to the poor, according to the terms of an agreement between the testator and the said prior and convent. To Robert his grandson (*nepoti meo*), being son of Agnes his daughter, he leaves the hostel wherein he dwelt and a brewery called "le Cok on the hoop" in Trinitelane aforesaid, to hold in tail; remainder to the prior and convent aforesaid for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 12 April, A.D. 1459. Roll 195 (44).

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**Turnour (WILLIAM)**, baker.—To be buried in the church of S. Margaret Patyns, to which he leaves divers sums of money. To Margaret his wife certain tenements within the parish of S. Margaret aforesaid for life; remainder to Walter his son in tail; remainder to William Gyles, the rector, and churchwardens of the aforesaid church and their successors, charged with the observance of his obit in manner as directed. Dated London, 17 September, A.D. 1424. Roll 195 (47).

**Broun (STEPHEN)**, grocer.—Bequest to the church of S. Dunstan in the East of a certain rent issuing from a tenement and wharf called "Asshelynswharff," and formerly "Pakenameswharf," in the parish of S. Dunstan, so that the rector and churchwardens of the same maintain a chantry therein for the space of sixty

<sup>1</sup> *Insula*=a part of a building separated from the rest. Here it probably means a chamber or chapel belonging to a guild. Cf. *Insula seu capella Sancte Trinitatis*—Hust. Roll 166 (9), *supra*, p. 481.

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years for the good of his soul, the souls of Juliana, Alice, and Rose his wives, and others, in manner as directed; remainder over, in case of default, to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London for the maintenance of a similar chantry in the Guildhall Chapel. Bequests also to the poor of the parish of S. Dunstan aforesaid; to poor prisoners of Newgate, Ludgate, the King's Bench, the Marshalsea, the Flete, and the prison of the Abbot of Westminster;<sup>1</sup> to divers orders of friars in London, the inmates of various hospitals, the Prior and Convent of the Charterhouse, the nuns of Sopwell and Kylbourne, &c. Among other bequests are the following:—To the fabric of the church of S. Nicholas at Newcastle-upon-Tyne twenty pounds sterling, and other sums to the fabric of the bridge at Newcastle, and to the mendicant friars in the same town. To the poor almsfolk within the place called “Grocershall” in the parish of S. Mildred in the Poultry ten marks, and ten pounds sterling to the maintenance of the said place. Bequests also of money to Rose, Katherine, and Agnes, daughters of John his son. Also to his said son he leaves certain tenements, wharf, &c., in the parishes of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate, S. Dunstan near the Tower, and S. Andrew upon Cornhill, in tail male; remainder in trust for sale, and one hundred marks of the proceeds to be given to each of the daughters of the said John if any survive, and the residue to be devoted to various pious and charitable uses as prescribed. His property at Bishop's Lynn<sup>2</sup> (*in Lenn Episcopi*) to be also sold for pious and charitable uses. Dated London, 28 April, A.D. 1462.

Roll 195 (48).

*Monday the Feast of S. Scolastica, Virgin [10 Feb.].*

**Botiller (JOHN)**, draper.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Swithun's in Candelwykstrete. To Agnes his wife his tenement in Candelwykstrete in the parish of S. Mary de Abbechirche, near a parcel of land called “Teyntours,”<sup>3</sup> belonging to Dame Katherine

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 471.

<sup>2</sup> Co. Norfolk. Afterwards called King's Lynn, upon the Bishop of Norwich giving up his fee (A.-S. *Len*) to Henry VIII.

<sup>3</sup> Or Tenter-ground, used for stretching cloth during its manufacture. The coincidence of the name of the owner of the ground being “Strech” is re-

markable. A tenter-ground in the neighbourhood of, if not identical with, the place here devised, is mentioned in the will of Sir Robert Aguylon (Part I. p. 75). There were similar grounds in or near Moorfields (where Tenter Street survives to this day), as well as in Lime Street, once the property of Lord Scrope, and in Candlewick Street.

Strech, together with other tenements in the parish of S. Swithun, for life; remainder to Katherine, daughter of Philip his son, and to Juliana his own daughter in tail, with cross remainders; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Also to Sir Richard Thorp, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Swithun aforesaid and their successors, he leaves a shop in Westchepe in the parish of S. Mary le Bow, charged with the due observance of his obit as directed, the residue of the profits being distributed among the poor of the parish. In case of default the shop is to remain to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London to the use and maintenance of London Bridge, to be held by them as wardens of the said bridge, for the observance of his obit as aforesaid. Dated London, 16 July, A.D. 1436.

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Roll 195 (49).

#### ANNO 6 EDWARD IV.

A.D.  
1466.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mark, Evangelist [25 April].*

**BURTON (WILLIAM)**, grocer.—To be buried in the church of the Friars Minors, where Alice his late wife lies buried. Bequests to the church of the friars aforesaid, and to each of the four orders of mendicant friars in the City of London, and to prisoners in Newgate, Ludgate, the Flete, and King's Bench. Provision made for a chantry in the church of S. Stephen de Walbroke. To John his son the reversion of tenements in the parishes of S. Stephen aforesaid and S. Brigid in Fletestrete in tail, after the decease of Margaret his wife; remainder to William his son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses. Also to William his son the reversion of tenements in the parishes of S. Mary de Colchirch and S. Mildred in the Poultry in tail; remainder to the aforesaid John. His gowns, furs, and hoods, as well as girdles, baselards, and rings, are to be sold, and one half of the proceeds to go to his wife and the other to his aforesaid sons. Also to John his son divers chattels, comprising a large mortar belonging to his shop, a covered cup called "le horn," standing on a gryp's feet (*super duos pedes de uno Gripe*), a silver-gilt laver which Beatrix, Countess of Arundel, gave to his said son at baptism, a pair of plates, a sword harnessed with silver

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&c. Also to Margery his wife, by way of dower and her share of his goods and chattels, he leaves four hundred pounds sterling, and all apparel, ustilments, utensils, &c., appertaining to his hall, chamber, parlour, larder, and kitchen. His feoffees in trust of a messuage called "Tolmeweshaugh" and others in the parish of Kyngesdowne, co. Kent, as well as of land in a certain field called "Homfeld," are directed to convey the same to Thomas Craneswyk for life; remainder over to Margaret his wife. Dated London, 10 March, 16 Henry VI. [A.D. 1437-8].

Roll 196 (6).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Tenterden** (JOHN), "irmonger."—To be buried according to directions contained in his will touching his movables. To John Neell, the rector of the church of S. Mary de Colchirche near the great aqueduct, and to the Wardens of the Fraternity and Guild of S. Katherine de Colchirche founded therein, and brethren and sisters of the same, he leaves certain tenements in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermarichirche for the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice, Elena, and Isabella his late wives, and of all whose names are specified on the tablet of the said fraternity. Dated London, 25 April, A.D. 1456.

Roll 196 (34).

A.D.  
1466-7.

*Monday the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

**Gregory** (WILLIAM), Alderman, citizen and skinner.—To Johanna, wife of Richard Buklond, esquire, a certain shop in the parish of S. Nicholas Coldabbey for life; remainder to Cecilia the prioress and the convent of S. Mary at Chesthunt, co. Herts, they paying to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Nicholas Coldabbey the annual rent of eight shillings which Agnes, widow of Richard Gyffard and mother of the aforesaid Johanna and Cecilia, bequeathed for the observance of her obit by her will enrolled in the Husting of London for Pleas of Land held Monday next before the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.], 8 Henry VI. [A.D. 1429-30];<sup>1</sup> and themselves also observing an

<sup>1</sup> Enrolled *supra*, p. 450.

obit for the souls of the said Richard and Agnes and others in manner as directed. Dated London, 1 August, A.D. 1451. A.D.  
1466-7.

Roll 196 (44).

**Gregory** (WILLIAM), Alderman, citizen and skinner. — To Richard Keteryk, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Antonin and their successors, an annual rent of seven pounds three shillings and fourpence issuing from lands and tenements in the parish of S. Martin in the Vintry, for the maintenance of a chantry, in a chapel called "Knolles Chapell" within the said church, for the souls of Thomas Knolles<sup>1</sup> senior, Johanna, wife of the same, Thomas Knolles junior, Isabella, wife of the same, Richard Clyderowe, esquire, and Alice, wife of the same, and others; remainder in case of default to the Wardens of the Commonalty of the Mistery of Grocery of the City of London for like purpose. Dated London, 18 July, A.D. 1461. Roll 196 (45).

# ANNO 7 EDWARD IV.

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1467.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Gregory** (WILLIAM), senior, citizen and skinner. — Confirms a grant of a term of years previously made to Nicholas Lathell, gentleman, and others, by Margaret, late wife of Richard Holmhegge, stockfishmonger, and others, in certain tenements in the parish of SS. Anne and Agnes within Aldrichigate, and also certain rent charges on the same tenements. To the Prior and Convent of the House of the Salutation of the Mother of God of the Carthusian Order he leaves an annual rent of thirteen shillings and fourpence, charged on the same property, for the good of his soul. The aforesaid tenements to remain, subject to the above term and charges, to William Solley, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of SS. Anne and Agnes aforesaid, after the decease of the aforesaid Margaret, for the maintenance of a chantry for the good of her soul, the souls of Stephen Clyan and Richard Holmhegge her late husbands, John her brother, and others, and for keeping an

<sup>1</sup> Grocer; rebuilt the church of S. Antonin.

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obit and other pious and charitable observances in manner as directed. The sum of twenty shillings out of the rents and profits of the aforesaid property is to be annually set aside for repairs of the church, books, or ornaments.<sup>1</sup> In case of default made in executing the terms of his will the aforesaid tenements are to go over to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. John Zakary for like purposes, with further remainder in default to the prior and convent aforesaid. Dated London, 18 August, A.D. 1461. Roll 197 (11).

*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

**Payn (JOHN)**, grocer.—Bequests to the church of S. Botolph beside Billyngesgate and the hospitals of S. Mary without Bisshopesgate and of Bethelam; also to Katherine his daughter, Johane his daughter, a nun of Wilton,<sup>2</sup> Edith his sister, dwelling at Salesbury, Johane his servant, daughter of John Payn his son deceased, and to the children of Margery his daughter, wife of Andrew James. The residue of his goods movable he leaves to Johane his wife. Confirms bequest made to the parson of the parish church of S. Botolph aforesaid and to the Wardens of the Fraternity of Our Lady S. Mary and S. John the Baptist in the same church by another testament, dated 12 April, 6 Edward IV. [A.D. 1466].—To Elizabeth Hawes and to Katherine his daughters he leaves the reversion of his tenement called "Payneskey," late called "Childeskey," in Thamisestrete in the parish of S. Botolph aforesaid, in tail, with cross remainders after the death of Johane his wife. Also to his said wife his tenement in the parish of S. John in the town of Southampton for life; remainder to Margery his daughter, wife of Andrew James, in tail. Also to Johane his aforesaid servant, daughter of John his son, his

<sup>1</sup> This charity was regulated by a scheme approved by a Master in Chancery 24 July, 1832. The property here devised formerly consisted of tenements which stood where the yard of the General Post Office now is, and was sold to the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London for the purposes of the General Post Office Act (55 George III.), the purchase money being invested in an estate known as the "Haylis estate," co. Essex. Mr. Haro reported

in 1860 that the expenditure of this estate had for some years absorbed its income, and that the amounts distributed under the several heads of the approved scheme had therefore been produced from the funds of other endowments (Report City Parochial Charities Com., 1880, pp. 53-4).

<sup>2</sup> Co. Wilts. An abbey of the Benedictine Order, founded by King Alfred, and dedicated to S. Mary and S. Bartholomew.

tenement situate in Holy Rode parish in Southampton; and to Thomas Payn, son of the same John, his lands and tenements in the city of Salesbury. Also to his aforesaid wife a life interest in all his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Benet Fynk and S. Clement Candelwykstrete. Dated 16 April, A.D. 1467.

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Roll 197 (18).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

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1467-8.

**Asshe (JOHN)**, senior, mercer.—To John Scot, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael de Bassyngeshawe and their successors, he leaves his brewery called “le Cok on the hoop,” situate within the parish, charged with the observance of the obit of John Wellis, late mercer, and charitable gifts in manner as directed; remainder in case of default to the Master and Brethren of the House or Church of S. Thomas of Canterbury, called “de Acon,” for like purposes. Also to the rector and wardens aforesaid he leaves his tenement called “le Belle on the hoop” in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate, in aid of a chantry within the church of S. Michael aforesaid. Dated London, 22 December, A.D. 1456.

Roll 197 (34).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Botolph, Abbot [17 June].*

A.D.  
1467.

**Brampton (WILLIAM)**, writer of the court-hand of the City of London.—To be buried according to directions contained in another testament touching his movables. To the Wardens of the Fraternity or Guild of S. Mary and S. Giles without Crepulgate and brethren and sisters of the same he leaves certain messuages, &c., in Whitecrouchestrete in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Thomas the Apostle in the Rirole for the good of his soul, the souls of William Shepton, Agnes, wife of the same, and others, and also with the observance of their obit, with gifts to poor prisoners, &c., in manner as directed, the residue of the issues and profits of the said messuages being distributed among the poor parishioners of S. Thomas aforesaid. In case of default the property is to go over to the Master or Wardens of the Fraternity of Tailors and Armourers of Linen

**A.D.** Armour of S. John the Baptist for similar uses, with further  
**1467.** remainder in case of default to the Masters of the Fraternity of  
 S. Nicholas established among the parish clerks<sup>1</sup> of the City  
 of London, in aid of the fraternity. Dated London, 16 April,  
 A.D. 1456. Roll 197 (39).

**Babe** (WILLIAM), citizen and "Tolysoure."—To the Masters or  
 Wardens of the Fraternity or Guild of S. Mary and S. Giles  
 without Crepulgate and brethren and sisters of the same he  
 leaves all his lands and tenements in Whitecrouchestrete in the  
 parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, charged with the observ-  
 ance of the obit or anniversary of the testator and of Robert  
 Warmyngton once a year on 20th December, with charitable gifts  
 to thirteen poor parishioners in manner as directed. Dated  
 London, 27 November, A.D. 1458. Roll 197 (40).

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**1468.**

#### ANNO 8 EDWARD IV.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Botolph, Abbot [17 June].*

**Style** (ELENA, relict of JOHN, vintner).—To be buried in the  
 chapel of S. Anne and of S. Thomas the Martyr,<sup>2</sup> situate in  
 S. Paul's churchyard called "Pardonchirchewawe," where her late  
 husband lies buried. To the chaplains of the chantry of S. Anne  
 and S. Thomas aforesaid she leaves certain lands and tenements  
 in the parish of S. Dionisius Bakchirch in aid of the said chantry,  
 so that an obit be kept therein for the soul of her late husband  
 in manner as directed. Dated London, 8 June, A.D. 1453.

Roll 198 (13).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Nicolson** (JOHN), "Stacioner."—To be buried in the church of  
 S. Alphege near Crepulgate, near the tomb of Edward his brother.  
 To Emma his wife he leaves his brewery called "le Rose" and

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 514.

<sup>2</sup> An ordinance by the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's and the thirty chaplains dwelling in the "Prestes-houses" concerning the habitation of the three chaplains attached to this chapel, which was built by Sir Thomas

More, a Dean of St. Paul's, is preserved among the Cathedral archives. It is dated 8 July, 1424, and has the corporate seal of the chaplains and of the chantry of Thomas More attached (Appendix to Ninth Report, Hist. MSS. Com., p. 55 a).



all his other tenements in the parish of S. Alphege absolutely, subject to charges for keeping an obit and for charitable gifts to the poor of the parish of S. Alphege. Also to his said wife a life interest in certain lands and tenements in Tilbury, co. Essex, so long as she remain unmarried; remainders to John his son and Margaret his daughter. His lands and tenements in Portpole Lane, otherwise Grayesyn Lane,<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Andrew in Holborn, to be sold to pay debts and legacies. Certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Laurence in Old Jewry to be placed in the hands of trustees until a sum of forty marks has been raised out of issues and profits of the same. To John Nicholson his father he leaves a sum of money and divers chattels, comprising a gown with its fur, a girdle and dagger (*daggarium*). Pecuniary bequests to Johanna, Margaret, Elena, and Alice his sisters, and others. To Richard Frampton his brother-in-law he leaves a pair of *corsetys*.<sup>2</sup> John his son and Margaret his daughter, together with one third of his movable goods appertaining to them by law, are to remain in the custody of his wife until they come of age or marry. Dated London, 5 October, A.D. 1466.

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Roll 198 (19).

*Monday next before Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

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1468-9.

**Parys** (ROBERT), ironmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael at Queenhithe. Bequests to rector and chaplains of the said church, and provision made for a chantry for the space of three years for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his wife and others. To John Bage his share of a battel. Bequests also to the Abbot and Convent of Walden, co. Essex, and to Sir Robert Parys, a canon of Waltham, for pious uses. To Johanna, daughter of Roger his brother, Alice, wife of Richard his brother, to the two sons of William his brother, and others, he leaves divers sums of money. Bequest of one hundred shillings for repairing and-glazing the vestry of the church of S. Michael aforesaid. An iron-bound chest to be provided and kept in the said church, in which is to be kept the sum of forty pounds, which he leaves

<sup>1</sup> See note Part I. p. 48.<sup>2</sup> The custom of men wearing a garment called "corset" appears from this

to have prevailed also in England, as it undoubtedly prevailed in France.

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for the purpose of loans to poor parishioners and others.<sup>1</sup> Also to the rector and parishioners of the church of S. Michael aforesaid he leaves a messuage and shops near Sporenlane, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in manner as directed; in case of default the Mayor of the City for the time is to be allowed to levy a sum of forty shillings upon the property and to distribute the same in charity. To John Bage his servant a messuage in the parish of S. Mary le Bow for life; remainder to the rector and parishioners of the church of S. Michael aforesaid for pious uses. Dated London, 8 November, A.D. 1406.<sup>2</sup>

Roll 198 (27).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

**Clerk (JOHN), "netmaker."**—To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael at Queenhithe a messuage in Thamise-strete in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of lights in the said church, so that no one shall ask for or receive money for that object from those who come to the Lord's table for their communion at Easter, as is the custom with Christians; and also with the maintenance of a chantry in manner as directed; remainder in case of default to the Mayor and Commonalty and Chamberlain of the Guildhall for the time being. Dated London, 28 October, A.D. 1424.

Roll 198 (28).

**Weste (WILLIAM), "marbeler."**—To be buried according to the directions contained in his testament touching his movables. To Friar John Neel, Master of the House or Hospital of S. Thomas de Acon, and brethren of the same, and their successors, a certain tenement in Bowyerrowe, so that they pray for the souls of the said John Neel, of William and Lucy, parents of the same, Cristina Neel, and others, maintain a chorister not exceeding eight years of age to attend divine service, and observe an obit and other religious duties as prescribed; remainder in case of default to the Mayor, Chamberlain, and Commonalty of the City of London and the Wardens of London Bridge, for the mainte-

<sup>1</sup> In the margin opposite this clause is the following note:—*Nota bene utrum ista clausula custodiat vel non.*

<sup>2</sup> There appears to be nothing to account for the long period which elapsed between the execution of this will and its probate.

nance of the aforesaid obit and for the repair of the said bridge.  
Dated London, 20 April, A.D. 1453.

Roll 198 (29).

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**Fairhed** (JULIANA, relict of WILLIAM, butcher).—To be buried in the church of S. Andrew Huberd near Estchep, in the same place where her husband lies buried. A chantry to be maintained in the said church for the space of two years. Bequests to the Fraternity of S. Katherine in the same church and the Fraternity of S. Mary in the church of S. Leonard de Estchepe. To John her son, Agnes his wife, and Johanna his daughter, also to her servants, apprentices, and others, she leaves divers sums of money and household goods. To William Povey, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Andrew aforesaid and their successors, she leaves certain tenements within the parish, charged with the maintenance of a chantry for the good of her soul, the souls of her late husband, Isabella her daughter, and others, and also with the observance of an obit in manner as directed, the residue of the issues and profits of the said tenements being devoted to the ornaments and necessary repairs of the said church. In case of default the property to go over to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Leonard de Estchepe in trust for sale, the proceeds being devoted to the above pious uses as well as to the maintenance of churches, roads and bridges, and similar objects. Dated London, 27 December, A.D. 1442.

Roll 198 (30).

**Holand** (RALPH), draper.—To Sir Walter Hammes, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Margaret Patyns and their successors, a certain tenement in the parish of S. Dunstan in the East in aid of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of William atte Vyne, Isabella, wife of the said William, and others, and charged with the observance of the obit of Walter Ridelere and other religious duties as directed; remainder in case of default to the Master of the Fraternity of Tailors and Armourers of Linen Armour of S. John the Baptist in the City of London and wardens of the same and their successors, in augmentation and increase of the alms of the fraternity, charged with observing the above obit. Further remainders in case of default to the Mayor and Commonalty of

**A.D.** the City of London and to the Archbishop of Canterbury. Dated  
**1468-9.** London, 24 October, A.D. 1445. Roll 198 (31).

**Norman (JOHN)**, Alderman,<sup>1</sup> citizen and draper.—To the Abbot and Convent of S. Mary of Graces near the Tower he leaves a certain annual quitrent issuing from houses, wharf, &c., in the parish of S. Michael at Queenhithe. This bequest the testator makes in execution of a certain award, and at the request of the Abbot of Lesons,<sup>2</sup> co. Kent, Hugh Wyche, Knt., and of the Abbot of S. Mary aforesaid. Also to the same abbot and convent he further leaves ten shillings, to be levied by way of penalty in case payment of the above quitrent should be in arrear. Dated London, 10 September, A.D. 1467. Roll 198 (32).

#### ANNO 9 EDWARD IV.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

**Style (JOHN)**, vintner.—To be buried in the parish church of S. Gregory near S. Paul's, to the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of which he leaves a tenement in Graschirchestrete in the parish of All Hallows, so that they maintain an honest chaplain to serve in a perpetual chantry, to be called "Rosamondeschauntrie," in the aforesaid church for the souls of Master Robert Rosamond (a bachelor in laws and public notary by Apostolical and Imperial authority,<sup>3</sup> Procurator General of the Court of Canterbury, who died 29 June, A.D. 1431), Alice, wife of the same, Walter and Edith, father and mother of the said Robert, the testator, and others in manner prescribed. The residue of the issues and profits, after payment of all charges, to be kept in a box with two locks. Dated 28 June, A.D. 1440.

Roll 199 (1).

**A.D.** *Monday next after Feast of S. Bartholomew, Apostle [24 Aug.].*  
**1469.**

**Godyn (JOHN)**, grocer.—To be buried according to directions contained in his testament touching his movables. To the

<sup>1</sup> Of Castle Baynard Ward.

<sup>2</sup> Westwood in Lesnes, parish of Erith.

<sup>3</sup> A notion at one time prevailed that the creation of notaries was a privilege attaching to emperors and not to kings (Kerr's 'Blackstone's Commentaries,' 1876, vol. i. p. 214).

Prioress of the nuns of Sopwelle an annual rent of twenty-six shillings and eightpence, charged on tenements in the parishes of S. Mary Wolnoth and S. Swithun, to the use of Amy his daughter, a nun there. To John Savage, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Andrew upon Cornhull, an annual rent of ten shillings, issuing from the same tenements, for keeping his obit as directed; remainder in case of default to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary Wolnoth aforesaid, for like purposes. To George, son of Thomas Godyn his bastard son, he leaves certain of the above tenements in tail, after the death of Cristina his wife; remainders to John, brother of the said George, and Johanna, sister of the same, in successive tail; and similarly to the aforesaid John he leaves other tenements with cross remainders; ultimate remainder, in case of failure of heirs, to the Wardens of the Mistery of Grocery of London and commonalty of the same, for relief of their poor almsfolk. If the said wardens fail to execute his wishes the property is to be sold by four good parishioners of S. Mary Wolnoth, and the proceeds devoted to pious and charitable uses. A certain tenement in the parish of S. Dunstan near the Tower to be sold by his executors for like purposes. Dated London, 4 November, A.D. 1465.

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Roll 199 (13).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

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1469-70.

**Heworth** (ROBERT), gentleman.—To be buried in the parish church of S. James at Clerkenwell. To Johane his wife his tenements in the parish of S. Sepulchre for life. Also to his said wife and to Robert his son his tenement in the parish of S. Andrew in Holbourne called the "Christofur and the hand," and all his lands, tenements, &c., in the towns of Neucastele upon tyne, Berwyk, Kynton, co. Northumberland, and in Gateshede in the Bishopric of Durham, to hold to them two and to the heirs male of the body of the said Robert; remainder to Rose his daughter in tail. Also to his said wife and daughter his interest in "the Cowhede" in Chepe. To the Masters and Wardens of the Fraternity or Guild of S. Giles in the church of S. Giles without Crepulgate he leaves lands and tenements called "the Swan" and nine cottages in Redecrouchstrete in the parish of

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1469-70. S. Giles aforesaid, so that they pray for his soul, the souls of Robert Marshall, grocer, Richard Grome, and others. Also to his son and daughter aforesaid the reversion of his lands and tenements in the county of Essex. Dated London, 14 August, 1 Edward IV. [A.D. 1461]. Roll 199 (30).

**A.D.**  
1470.

#### ANNO 10 EDWARD IV.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Stafford**<sup>1</sup> (WILLIAM), vintner.—To the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's and their successors the reversion of a certain tenement in S. Botolph's Lane in the parish of S. George near Estchepe, held for a term of years by Katherine, relict of William Combys, Alderman and fishmonger. Dated 24 December, A.D. 1463.

Roll 200 (13).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter ad Vincula [1 Aug.].*

**Knyf** (JOHN), citizen and "corser."<sup>2</sup>—To be buried according to directions contained in another testament touching his movables. To Master John Wellys, the vicar, and churchwardens of the church of S. Sepulchre without Newgate and their successors, three messuages, situate near the tenement called "le Seven Sterres," within the Bar of West Smythfeld, and also his hostel called "le Ramme" in the parish of S. Sepulchre aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of a chantry, observance of his obit, and other duties; remainder in default to the Master and Brethren of the Hospital of S. Bartholomew in West Smythfeld for similar uses. Dated London, 10 January, A.D. 1469.

Roll 200 (14).

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1471-2.

#### ANNO 11 EDWARD IV.

*Monday the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

**Brampton** (WILLIAM), writer of the court-hand of the City

<sup>1</sup> His will, with two heraldic seals attached, is preserved among the archives of S. Paul's Cathedral (Hist. MSS. Commission, Ninth Report, Appendix, p. 48 b).

<sup>2</sup> Horse dealer. In 1372 the dealers

in Smithfield, "that is to say, the Coursers and Drovers," made an arrangement as to tolls on horses and cows sold there, which was approved by the Mayor and Aldermen (Riley's 'Memorials,' p. 366).

of London.—To be buried according to directions contained in another testament touching his movables. To Richard Howell, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Thomas the Martyr in the Riote, he leaves a shop and houses in Oldefisshstrete in the parish of S. Nicholas Coldabbey, charged with observing the obits of William Shepton and Agnes, wife of the same, and that of the testator in manner as directed, and also with payments of various sums of money to the Masters of the Fraternity of S. Nicholas established among the parish clerks<sup>1</sup> of the City of London, the inmates of divers prisons, and other charitable objects. In case of default the property is to go over to the Fraternity of S. Nicholas aforesaid to carry out the terms of the devise, with further remainder in case of default to the Masters or Wardens of the Art of the Fishmongers of London. Dated London, 16 April, A.D. 1456. Roll 201 (18).

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1471-2.

#### ANNO 12 EDWARD IV.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Gregory** (WILLIAM), late Mayor<sup>2</sup> and Alderman, citizen and skinner.—To be buried according to directions contained in his testament touching his movables. To the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Fraternity of Corpus Christi of the Craft of Skinners in the parish church of S. John in Walbroke, and to Henry Crosse, parson of the said church, and their successors, he leaves a certain shop in the parish of S. Mildred in the Poultry and a cellar in Heywharflane in the parish of All Hallows atte Heywharf, charged with the observance of the obit of Robert Scalton, skinner, Cecile, late wife of the same, and of the testator, in the church of S. Antonyn in manner as directed; remainders over in case of default to the parson, churchwardens, and parishioners of the said church of S. Antonyn for like purposes, and to the Wardens of London Bridge for the maintenance of the said bridge. Dated London, 6 November, A.D. 1465.

Roll 202 (2).

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 514. This fraternity was suppressed in the reign of Edward VI., and its hall, almshouses, and other tenements, situate in Bishopsgate Street, handed over to Sir Robert Chester, who, in order to

avoid judgment going against him in a suit with the brotherhood, pulled down the hall and sold the materials, "and thereupon the suit was ended" (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 64).

<sup>2</sup> In 1451.

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1472-3.

*Monday the Feast of S. Mildred, Virgin [20 Feb.].*

**Cressy** (THOMAS), draper.—His feoffees in trust of certain houses in Melkstrete in the parish of S. Laurence in the Old Jewry are directed to make a good estate therein to Alice his wife for life, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Christopher in Bradstrete and observance of an obit; remainder to Sir John Pygge, Bishop of Artfert<sup>1</sup> and parson of the said church of S. Christopher,<sup>2</sup> and to Richard Domy, scrivener, in trust for maintenance of a chantry in the said church and other pious and charitable uses. Dated 15 June, A.D. 1472.

Roll 202 (13).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

**Orwell** (JOHN), goldsmith.—To the Abbot of the Monastery of S. Mary without the walls of York and convent of the same and their successors a certain tenement and curtilage in the parish of S. Peter the Less in pure and perpetual alms. Dated London, 8 July, A.D. 1470.

Roll 202 (25).

**Ferbras** (ROBERT), citizen and surgeon of the City of London.—To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Craft or Mistery of "Lethersellers" of London certain tenements and gardens in the parish of All Hallows, London Wall, charged with the payment of forty shillings annually in bread for the inmates of various prisons, including "le Conviete prison" at Westminster; the residue of the issues and profits, after payment of all charges, to be kept in the treasury of the wardens and commonalty aforesaid for the relief of the poor of the craft or mistery.<sup>4</sup> In case

<sup>1</sup> Ardfer, Kerry.

<sup>2</sup> From 1462 to 1483. He was also Rector of Langdon-cum-Basildon, co. Essex, 1466-1483; *ob.* 1483 (Newcourt, 'Repertorium,' vol. i. p. 323; vol. ii. p. 356).

<sup>3</sup> In the time of William the Conqueror Alan, Earl of Richmond, gave the church of S. Olave near the city of York, together with a parcel of land, to Abbot Stephen and his convent of Benedictine monks, who had been expelled from Whitby and Lestingay. That church becoming too small, William Rufus laid with his own hand the foundation

stone of a bigger church to the honour of the Virgin Mary, and endowed the monastery with large possessions (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.,' p. 638).

<sup>4</sup> The Leathersellers' Company in their return to the Commission appointed in 1880 give the date of the testator's will as 14 November instead of 4 November. They further state that the sum of 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* 3 per cent. Consols has been transferred to the Official Trustees of Charitable Funds for the future payment of 2*l.* a year to the poor of the Company (Report Livery Companies Com., 1884, vol. iii. p. 545).



of default made in carrying out his wishes the property is to go over to the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of the church of All Hallows aforesaid for like purposes, the residue being devoted to the use of the said church. To Richard Trent, "tyler," and Johanna his wife, daughter of the testator, a certain tenement in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid for their lives; remainder to the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners aforesaid, charged with the maintenance of a lamp to burn before the crucifix, and with prayers for his soul, the souls of Juliana and Alice his wives, and others, the observance of an obit, and performance of other religious duties as directed. Dated 4 November, A.D. 1470. Roll 202 (30).

A.D.  
1472-3.

**Ferbras (ROBERT)**, citizen and surgeon of the City of London.—Testament touching three tenements in the parish of All Hallows, London Wall, which he leaves to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Craft of "Lethersellers," to the use of the said commonalty. Dated London, 17 April, A.D. 1472.

Roll 202 (31).

#### ANNO 13 EDWARD IV.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Outhbert, Bishop [20 March].*

**Stuward (JOHN)**, merchant and freeman of the City of London.—To the Wardens of the Mistery or Craft of "Talughchaundlers,"<sup>1</sup> of which he was master for the time being, he leaves a messuage in Cornhull in the parish of S. Christopher, and other messuages, including a brewery called "le lamp on the hoop," in Bisshopesgatestrete and elsewhere in the parish of S. Ethelburga within Bisshopesgate, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate for the good of his soul, the souls of Petronilla and Margaret his wives, the brethren and sisters of the Fraternities of S. Mary and

<sup>1</sup> No information appears to have been given respecting the property here devised in the return made by the Company to the Livery Companies Commission of 1880; but from Mr. Hare's Report on the charities of the parish of S. Botolph, Bishopsgate, in

1854 we learn that the sum of 12*l.* (formerly 2*l.*) was annually received by the parish from the Tallow Chandlers' Company and disbursed in gifts of coal (Report City Paroch. Charities Com., 1880, vol. iii. p. 113).

**A.D. 1472-3.** S. John the Baptist within the said church and others, and with the distribution of twenty-five quarters of coal among the poor of the parishes of S. Botolph and S. Ethelburga aforesaid, observance of obit, &c., in manner as directed, under penalty of paying certain sums of money to the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity of Tailors and Armourers of Linen Armour of S. John the Baptist in the City of London in each case of default. Dated London, 31 December, A.D. 1472. Roll 203 (4).

**A.D. 1473.** *Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Bedham (JOHN)**, fishmonger.—To be buried in S. Katherine's Chapel in the church of S. Mary atte Hill. To William Wyld, the rector, churchwardens and parishioners of the said church, he leaves a large tenement situate in the lane of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate, in the parish of S. George near Estchepe, and also in the lane called "Lovelane" in the parish of S. Mary atte Hill,<sup>1</sup> charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Mary aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Beatrix his wife and others; also with weekly payments of money to three poor parishioners, the observance of obit, &c., in manner as directed. The residue of the issues and profits of the aforesaid tenement to be devoted to the repair and maintenance of vestments, ornaments, &c., appertaining to the aforesaid chapel of S. Katherine. In case of default the tenement to go over to the rector, churchwardens, and parishioners of the church of S. Botolph for similar uses. Also to the rector, &c., of the parish of S. Mary atte Hill he leaves a large garden with mansions adjoining, situate near Tourhill in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate, subject to certain charges, towards the maintenance of a chantry. Dated 2 November, A.D. 1472.

A codicil whereby he increases a legacy formerly left for the maintenance of a lamp in the church of S. Mary aforesaid, and withdraws certain directions he made respecting the duties of a chantry priest. Dated 30 March, A.D. 1473. Roll 203 (11).

<sup>1</sup> From a note (p. 7) in a history of the parish of S. Mary at Hill already referred to it appears that the property here devised was lost to the parish at the Confiscation in 1548; the garden, however, of which mention is made below was recovered at law in 1555, and remained in the possession of the parish until sold to the S. Katherine Docks Company in 1827.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Faith [6 Oct.].*

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1473.

**Andrews** (JOHN), mercer.—To Geoffrey Buckley, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Alban in Wodestrete and their successors, certain tenements in the parishes of S. Sepulchre near Holbourne Cross, S. Stephen in Colmanstrete, and S. Giles without Crepulgate formerly belonging to Thomas Chalton, late Mayor<sup>1</sup> of the City of London, for the maintenance of a chantry for the souls of the said Thomas and of Alice, wife of the same, the said tenements having been conveyed to the testator for the purpose of this devise. The chantry to be maintained in the chapel of S. Thomas the Martyr, commonly called “Chaltons Chapell,” and to be known as “Chaltons Chaunteris.” An obit or anniversary of the aforesaid Thomas and Alice to be observed in manner as directed. In default the property is to go over to the Prior of the Hospital of S. Mary de Elsying and his successors for similar purposes, with further remainder in case of default to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London. Dated London, 20 August, A.D. 1467. Roll 203 (15).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

**Wellys** (THOMAS), draper.—To Agnes his wife a life interest in divers messuages, shops, &c., in Lumbardstrete and Birchlan in the parishes of S. Edmund and S. Mary Wolnoth, and in Grubbstrete in the parish of S. Giles without Cripplegate, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Edmund aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice and Isabella his late wives and others, with a S. Gregory’s “Trintall”<sup>2</sup> for one whole year and other observances as directed. His said wife also directed to pay to the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary aforesaid the sum of ten shillings yearly in the week next after Palm Sunday or thereabouts, “for making of the Paschall every yere to be ordeined there to brenne in the said chirch,” to the intent that the parishioners and others who should be there “houseled” yearly on “Sherthursdaye,” Easter Eve, Easter Day, and Easter Monday, and in the weeks next before and next after Easter, might be thereby discharged of “candell silver,” which was wont to be asked for and paid “atte their

<sup>1</sup> In 1449.

| <sup>2</sup> See note *supra*, p. 137.

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1472.

knelyng in the said chirch of Seint Marie therto be hosled." A declaration of this bequest and its object to be made openly in the pulpit on Palm Sunday and Easter Day, and those "kneling atte Goddesborde for to be hoseled" to be exhorted to say a *Pater Noster* and *Ave Maria* for the testator's soul. His obit to be observed in the church of S. Edmund, and the sum of six shillings and eightpence to be paid to the Wardens of his Craft and Fellowship of Drapers of the City of London for distribution among those of the craft who shall attend the same. Among numerous other payments which his wife is also directed to make are the following:—To the Wardens of the Craft of Shermen in the City of London three shillings and fourpence, and a like sum to the Masters of the Fraternity of S. Nicholas of "Maisters parisshe Clerkes" of London, and to the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity of Priests of Pappey or Fraternity of S. John "Portlatyn" of Pappey, for attending his obit. The reversion of all the above tenements after the decease of his aforesaid wife he leaves to William Wodecok, the parson, and churchwardens of the church of S. Edmund aforesaid and their successors, subject to the above charges and conditions, together with an iron-bound chest containing title deeds. For every default a penalty is to be paid by the said parson and churchwardens to the parson and churchwardens of S. Mary's, Wolnoth, and in case of default for one whole year the property is to go over to the last-mentioned parson and churchwardens to fulfil the terms of his will. Dated 2 July, A.D. 1472. Roll 203 (18).

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1474.

#### ANNO 14 EDWARD IV.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Kalixtus, Pope [14 Oct.].*

**Bedham** (JOHN), fishmonger.—To William Baron a certain shop in the parish of S. Nicholas at the Shambles, near a narrow path called "le Twychyn," for life; remainder to the Prior and Convent of the House of the Salutation of the Mother of God of the Carthusian Order, charged with the maintenance of lamps to burn by night and day over the tombs<sup>1</sup> of Richard Clyderowe

<sup>1</sup> "In this charter-house were the monuments of.....William Baron and William Baron, esquire.....In the cloister.....Sir John Popham," &c. (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 161).

and of John Popham, Knt., the observance of an obit for the soul of William Baron aforesaid, and other duties in manner as directed. Dated London, 15 June, A.D. 1472. Roll 204 (5). A.D.  
1474.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

Gregory (WILLIAM), Alderman, citizen and skinner.—To Thomas Westhagh, the rector of the church of All Hallows at the Hay, and his successors, he leaves two tenements in Heywharflane in aid of a chantry founded in the said church by John Beverlee and Avice, wife of the said John, for the souls of Roger de Waltham, Edith, wife of the same, and others. Dated 20 January, A.D. 1449. Roll 204 (15).

#### ANNO 15 EDWARD IV.

A.D.  
1475.

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

Johnson (HUGH), "peyntour."—To be buried according to directions contained in his testament touching his movables. To Alice his wife and to John Freman, grocer, he leaves all his lands and tenements within the City of London. Dated London, 8 October, A.D. 1474. Roll 205 (7).

*Monday the Feast of S. Agatha, Virgin [5 Feb.].*

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1475-6.

Kyng (THOMAS), "haberdassher."—To the Prior and Convent of S. Pancras at Lewes,<sup>1</sup> co. Sussex, an annual rent of thirteen shillings and fourpence issuing from a certain tenement in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen in Milkstrete. Dated London, 12 July, A.D. 1436. Roll 205 (29).

#### ANNO 16 EDWARD IV.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Cuthbert, Bishop [20 March].*

Blundell (JOHN), "fruter."—To Richard Bourton, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary Somerset and their successors, he leaves a certain tenement at Tymbrehithlane in the

<sup>1</sup> "Earl William de Warrenne and the lady Gundreda his wife, A.D. 1078, founded in the old church of St. Pancrace, under the castle here, a priory, which was the first and chiefest house of the Cluniac Order in England" (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.', p. 552).

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parish of S. Mary aforesaid, charged with the observance of the obit of Johanna Fraunceys for the good of her soul, the souls of Matilda Upton, Laurence Fraunceys her late husband, Alice, Alice, and Hawys her daughters, and others, the said tenement having been conveyed to the testator for the express purpose of this devise in execution of the will of the said Johanna Fraunceys, widow. The residue of the issues and profits, after payment of charges, to be devoted to the repair of the fabric of the aforesaid church. Dated 14 March, A.D. 1473. Roll 206 (4).

**Fray<sup>1</sup>** (JOHN), Recorder of the City of London.—To be buried according to directions contained in his will touching his movables. To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Craft of Mercery in London he leaves certain tenements, held by him in trust, in Cattestrete, otherwise called "Cattonlane,"<sup>2</sup> in the parish of S. Laurence in the Jewry, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of Farnyngo,<sup>3</sup> co. Northampton, for the souls of John Abbot and others. Dated London, 12 February, A.D. 1449. Roll 206 (5).

A.D.  
1476.

*Monday next after the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul [29 June].*

**Vautort** (JOHN DE), fishmonger.—To the Prior and Convent of Christchurch, Canterbury, and the Cathedral Church of Canterbury he leaves certain rents issuing from a brewery called "Le Potte on the hope," and a garden in the parish of S. Andrew upon Cornhull, charged with the maintenance of wax tapers at the shrine of S. Thomas the Martyr in the aforesaid church for the soul of Roger [Mortimer], second Earl of March. In case of default the rents to go to Roger, then Earl of March,<sup>4</sup> for like purposes. Dated London, the last day of July, A.D. 1386.<sup>5</sup>

Roll 206 (13).

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 435.

<sup>2</sup> Now Gresham Street.

<sup>3</sup> Farthingho, near Brackley.

<sup>4</sup> Grandson of the former. Lieutenant of Ireland, where he was killed 1398.

<sup>5</sup> The record of probate is as follows:

"The same day and year came John Dixon, taillour, and John Trumpper, letherseller, citizens of London, witnesses sworn and diligently examined,

who said upon their conscience that the following testament was the last will of John de Vautort, citizen and fishmonger of London, whilst alive, inasmuch as it appeared to them (*eo quod constabat eis*) that the said will had been executed many years ago, according to the force and effect of the same testament."

## ANNO 17 EDWARD IV.

A.D.  
1477.*Monday the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

**Bracy** (JOHN), chandler.—To be buried according to directions contained in his other testament touching his movables. To Agnes his wife all those tenements in the parish of S. Michael de Pater-noster-chirche in the Riote which he acquired jointly with others from the late Master and Wardens of the Commonalty and Mistery of the Cutlers of the City of London, and also his tenement called “le Nonne” in the parish of S. Mary de Wol-chirchewawe, to hold the same for life. To the Master and Wardens of the Commonalty of the Mistery of Talughchaundelers of the City of London he leaves the reversion of the last-mentioned tenement and an annual rent of six shillings and eightpence issuing from the aforesaid tenement in the parish of S. Michael, on condition they keep his obit for the good of his soul, the souls of Margaret his late wife, Agnes his present wife, and John Chesham her former husband, in the church of S. Mary aforesaid, and distribute twelve quarters of coal annually among the poor of the parish in manner as directed. The reversion of the aforesaid tenements in the parish of S. Michael he leaves to Henry Wyche, “iremonger,” and Margery, wife of the same, daughter of John Mader and of Matilda his wife, the testator’s daughter, in tail, charged with the payment of the aforesaid annual rent of six shillings and eightpence to the Master and Wardens of the Mistery of Talughchaundelers for the above pious and charitable objects; remainder over to the said master and wardens. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of his will, the tenements and rent aforesaid to go over to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary aforesaid for similar uses. Dated 10 June, A.D. 1467. Roll 207 (13).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Hunt** (WALTER), grocer.—Testament touching the disposal of all his lands and tenements in the City of London, viz. *le counter* and *le Counter Aley* in *le Pultree*<sup>1</sup> near *lez Stokkes*, which he leaves to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London absolutely. Dated 10 August, A.D. 1475. Roll 207 (17).

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 501.

A.D.  
1477.*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

Colyn (ALICE, relict of WILLIAM, "talughechaundeller").—To be buried in the churchyard of the church of S. Dunstan in the East called "Pardon Chirchewawe,"<sup>1</sup> near the tomb of her late husband. Bequests to the said church and to the Fraternity of the B.V. Mary therein. Thirty masses to be said for her soul and the soul of her late husband. To Johanna her daughter, wife of Robert Seton, her best feather bed and bolster, a flat basin of latten (*de auricalco*), and a large brass pot. To William Harries her kinsman, Agnes Bigges, and Robert Morley divers household goods, comprising a chest, a *spruce desked cofer*, a gown of blue colour *lynnyd* with *blak bokeram*, a *ship chest*, and a *pillowe of downe* a yard long. To John Haugh, gentleman, and William de la Ware, "tyler," rents issuing from tenements formerly belonging to Richard Cawston, mercer, in the parish of S. Margaret Patyns, in trust for sale for pious uses for the good of her soul. Dated London, 13 August, A.D. 1477. Roll 207 (18).

A.D.  
1477-8.*Monday the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

Stafford (WILLIAM), sole surviving trustee of lands and tenements formerly belonging to John Reynewell,<sup>2</sup> late Alderman of

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 115.

<sup>2</sup> Comparatively little is known of John Reinwell or Raynewell. Of what ward he was Alderman is uncertain, but we know he served as Sheriff in 1412. His will was not enrolled in the Court of Husting, and its contents are chiefly to be gathered from this will of William Stafford, one of his feoffees in trust. The Charity Commissioners in their report made in 1822, touching Reinwell's will, say: "It does not appear that any of the payments to be made under it were connected with any charitable purpose, except it may be that which is said to be made to the Sheriffs for the ancient fee farm of the Borough of Southwark, and which is paid to them in reimbursement of a like sum, payable by them to Bromley College. The receipts given by the treasurer of Bromley College for this payment are delivered to the Chamberlain and kept among the Corporation vouchers" ('Endowed Charities of the City of London,' a reprint 1829, p. 466). The City Records

contain an order made anno 25 Henry VIII. [A.D. 1533], that Reinwell's will touching the relief of the wards mentioned therein should be translated into English, fairly written out on parchment, and hung up openly in the Guildhall, "So that it may be perfectly knownen whan the wardes of Byllingesgate, Dowgate, and Algate shalbe relevyd for the payment of fyftenes or any other charge to be graunted to the Kynges our soveraigne lord" (Letter-Book P, fol. 16 b). It was also agreed a few years before (*viz.* anno 20 Henry VIII.) to send two persons to Calais, at the discretion of the City Chamberlain and Comptroller, to look after the City's interests in the property in that town devised to the Mayor and Commonalty by Reinwell (Letter-Book O, fol. 84). Stafford's will is printed in Appendix C of Cooper's Report on the *Fadeca* (p. 22) from an exemplification under the hand of "Dunthorn" (Town Clerk), at one time among the archives of Hamburg.



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1477-8.

the City of London, which he devises according to the will of the said John Reynewell, dated 18 September, A.D. 1443.—To the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London and their successors, viz., an annual rent of twenty shillings issuing from a stone house used as a vestry for the church of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate; also tenements and wharves in Wirehalelane in the parish of S. Mary at Hill, and tenements in Wendegaynelane in the parish of All Hallows the Great in the Ropery, and elsewhere in the City of London, as well as property at Calais. The same to be held by the said Mayor and Commonalty under the following conditions:—that they keep the said tenements in repair; pay certain annuities to William his (*i.e.*, Reynewell's) son, Cristina his sister, and Fridiswida his daughter, a Minoreess nun; maintain a chantry in the chapel above the Charnel-house in S. Paul's churchyard for the souls of Henry Barton, late Alderman, and Johanna, wife of the said Henry, the souls of John Reynewell, William his father, Isabella his mother, and others; pay certain specified sums for the relief of the inhabitants of the wards of Billyngesgate, Douegate, and Algate, on the occasion of exactions of fifteenths for the King; pay into the King's Exchequer the annual sum of ten pounds due from the Sheriffs of London for the ferm of Suthwerk;<sup>1</sup> also pay to the same Sheriffs an annual sum of eight pounds, in order to exempt poor denizens (not foreigners) from payment of toll for goods and merchandise at the great gate of London Bridge, and at the bridge called "le drawbridge," provided always that the said citizens so entering the City and making purchases there shall not leave the same without licence of the freemen; and lastly they are to pay to the wardens of the church of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate an annual sum of thirteen shillings and fourpence towards keeping the obit of the said John Reynewell, and perform other conditions as set out in his will. Dated London, 25 October, 37 Henry VI. [A.D. 1458].

Roll 207 (31).

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[No will entered on Roll 208.]

<sup>1</sup> Jurisdiction over the vill of South- | to the Mayor and Commonalty by char-  
 wark had been granted and confirmed | ters of Edward III. and Edward IV.

A.D.  
1479.

## ANNO 19 EDWARD IV.

*Monday the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Rothom** or **Rodom** (JOHN), tailor.—Testament touching a garden in the parish of S. Mary le Bow, which he leaves to Marion his wife for life, with remainder to William Morlond, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary aforesaid and their successors, charged with the observance of his obit under penalty of paying six shillings and eightpence to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael de Crokedlane for every default. Dated 16 September, A.D. 1465.

Roll 209 (10).

**Norman** (JOHN), draper and Alderman<sup>1</sup> of the City of London.—To be buried according to directions contained in another will touching his movables. To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary le Bow he leaves an annual rent issuing from tenements situate in the churchyard of the said church near Westchepe, to be paid to a certain chaplain, commonly called "Trinite preste," serving at the altar of the H. Trinity in the aforesaid church. The tenements so charged he devises to the rector and churchwardens aforesaid to the use of their church. Dated London, 20 March, A.D. 1468.

Roll 209 (11).

A.D.  
1479-80.*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Leynham** otherwise **Plommer** (JOHN), Knt.—To be buried in the monastery of the Charterhouse. Bequests to the said monastery, the churches of S. Leonard near Estchepe, S. Edmund in Lumbardestret, S. Botolph without Aldrichegate, and others; also for *dirigees* and masses of *Requiem*, and for a priest to "synge and pray a trentall of Seynt Gregory<sup>2</sup> w<sup>t</sup> all the fastynges and observaunces therto belongyng"; also to divers orders of friars of London and of Aylesbury; to prisoners of Newgate, Ludgate, King's Bench, and Marchelsea; to lepers in divers houses in and about London, &c. To "Dane"<sup>3</sup> John Walsyngham, Prior of the Monastery of the Salutation of the Mother of God of the Order of the Charterhouse, and convent of the same, he leaves certain

<sup>1</sup> Of Castle Baynard Ward.<sup>2</sup> See note *supra*, p. 137.<sup>3</sup> "Dan," the English of *Dominus* or*Dompnus*, equivalent to our "Sir," was an especial title of the clergy in the Middle Ages.

tenements in the parish of "Oure lady Fanchirche," charged with the observance of his obit and other pious and charitable uses. Margaret his wife to have the residue of his goods, chattels, and debts. Appoints William, Lord Hastings, the King's Chamberlain, to be overseer of his testament. Dated 15 July, A.D. 1478.  
 Roll 209 (14). A.D.  
1479-80.

## ANNO 20 EDWARD IV.

A.D.  
1480.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Alban, Martyr [22 June].*

**Broun** (STEPHEN), grocer.—To be buried according to instructions contained in another testament touching his movables. To the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London he leaves certain tenements in the parish of S. Mary atte Hill near Billyngesgate, conveyed to him by Geoffrey Fildyng, William Cantelowe, and John Middelton, mercers, in trust for the purpose of this devise, to hold the same to the said Mayor and Commonalty and their successors for ever without any condition. Dated London, 29 April, A.D. 1461. Roll 210 (10).

*Monday next after the F. of Nativity of S. John Baptist [24 June].*

**Frowyk**<sup>1</sup> (HENRY), mercer, late Mayor and Alderman of the City of London.—To be buried in the church of S. Thomas de Acon, on the south side of the chapel of SS. Nicholas and Stephen. To John Neel, Master of the House and Church of S. Thomas the Martyr, called "de Acon," and brethren of the same, he leaves certain rents in the parish of S. Pancras, charged with the observance of his obit and the obit of Isabella his wife and other pious and charitable conditions in manner as directed; remainder to his right heirs in case of default. Dated London, 8 April, A.D. 1459. Roll 210 (11).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Derby** (JOHN), late Alderman<sup>2</sup> and draper.—To be buried in the chapel commonly called "Seint Johanes Chapell," lately built by him in the church of S. Dionisius Bakchirche. To

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 541.

<sup>2</sup> Of Candlewick Ward.

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1480.

Robert Greteham, the rector, and churchwardens of the said church and their successors, he gives the reversion, after the decease of Johanna his wife, of certain lands and tenements within the parish of S. Dionisius, among them being a hostel called "le Belle and le Chekyr on the hoop," situate in Fancherchestrete, charged with the maintenance of two chantries in the aforesaid chapel for the good of his soul, the souls of Margaret his late wife, Johanna his present wife, William his father, Johanna his mother, John and Alice Caldebek, the parents of Johanna his wife, and others, and also with the observance of his obit, &c., in manner as directed; remainder over in case of default to the Master and Wardens of the Guild or Fraternity of the Blessed Mary of the Drapers of London for similar uses. Dated London, 17 February, A.D. 1478. Roll 210 (12).

Lynne (ALICE, relict of WILLIAM, grocer).—To be buried according to directions contained in her testament touching her movables. To Robert Kirkeham, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Dunstan in the East and their successors, certain tenements acquired by her jointly with others from William Sevenok, grocer, in the parish of S. Dunstan aforesaid, charged with the observance of her obit for the good of her soul, the souls of her late husband, John Maykyn and Johanna his wife, and others in manner as directed; remainder in case of default to the Mayor or Warden and Commonalty of the City of London for the time being to the use and maintenance of London Bridge, subject to the above charges. Dated London, 22 June, A.D. 1458. Roll 210 (13).

Maldon (JOHN), grocer.—To the Prior and Convent of Christ Church, Canterbury, an annual rent of two shillings issuing from messuages in the parish of All Hallows near Graschirche, which messuages he leaves to William Cawlyn, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of All Hallows aforesaid, charged with the payment of the above rent and also with the maintenance of a chantry, observance of his obit, &c., within the said church in manner as directed. The Chamberlain of the Chamber of the Guildhall to supervise the observance of his obit, and to have

three shillings and fourpence for personal attendance. A penalty of forty shillings to be paid in each case of default made in carrying out the terms of his will. Dated London, 25 April, A.D. 1467. Roll 210 (14).

A.D.  
1480.

**Stafford (WILLIAM).**—To Thomas Pulter, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate and their successors, he leaves a stone house with vault beneath to serve as a vestry. Dated London, 30 December, 37 Henry VI. [A.D. 1458]. Roll 210 (15).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Peter in Cathedrâ [22 Feb.].*

A.D.  
1480-1.

**Dey (JOHN),** citizen and freeman of London.—To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Nicholas at the Shambles within Newgate an annual quitrent of six shillings and eightpence issuing from a tenement in the lane and parish of S. Michael in Crokedlane, charged with the observance of an obit on the 16th of April every year for the souls of William Hunt, Alice, wife of the same, and others, with tolling of bells, &c., in manner as directed; remainder in case of default to John Ropley of Chidyngfold, co. Surrey, kinsman and heir of the aforesaid William Hunt, for like purposes in the church of Chidyngfold. Dated 8 July, A.D. 1479. Roll 210 (23).

#### ANNO 21 EDWARD IV.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Cuthbert, Bishop [20 March].*

**Stafford (WILLIAM),** vintner.—To Thomas Pulter, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Botolph near Billyngesgate, he leaves a piece of land, parcel of the said church, on which at one time stood a house, parcel of a wharf called "Botulphis-wharf," and which formerly belonged to John Reynewell, merchant. Dated London, 20 August, A.D. 1456. Roll 211 (1).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

A.D.  
1481.

**Hoy (THOMAS),** "joynour."—To the Wardens of the Fraternity and Guild of S. Anne at Knoll,<sup>1</sup> co. Warwick, certain shops and

<sup>1</sup> Founded by Walter Cook, Canon of Lincoln, temp. Richard II. The chapel was dedicated to S. John the Baptist, S. Laurence, and S. Anne (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.' p. 586).

**A.D.** houses in S. Laurence Lane, in the parish of S. Laurence in Old  
**1481.** Jewry, formerly belonging to John Derke his uncle, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the chapel of S. Anne at Knoll for the souls of Master Walter Cook, the founder of the fraternity, and others. Dated London, 1 March, A.D. 1480. Roll 211 (7).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Dun (JOHN)**, mercer.—To be buried according to directions contained in his testament touching his movables. To Thomas Asshby, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Peter upon Cornhull, a tenement situate on a piece of land which lately was parcel of the churchyard, to fulfil the will of Master Hugh Damelet, Doctor of Divinity, late rector of the aforesaid church, by observing the obit of the said Master Hugh, maintaining a lamp in the choir, wax tapers, &c., in manner as directed. To the Mayor, Chamberlain, and Commonalty of the City of London an annual rent of forty shillings issuing from the aforesaid tenement, the same to be levied in every case of default made by the aforesaid rector and churchwardens in carrying out the terms of this devise, and to be to the use of the Chamber. Dated London, 10 July, A.D. 1478. Roll 211 (12).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Johnson (JOHN)**, butcher.—To be buried in his parish church of S. Leonard in Estchepe. Directions as to torches and tapers to burn at his funeral, the same to be afterwards distributed among the parish churches of Wolwyche, co. Kent, Stretcham, co. Surrey, Totenham, co. Middlesex, and the aforesaid church of S. Leonard. Provision made for a chantry in the last-mentioned church. To Dan Thomas Johnson, monk, to pray for his soul, a flat cup chased of silver and the covering of the same. To the brotherhood of his craft a cup of silver and gilt covered such as Agnes his wife might select. Also to his said wife he leaves all his lands and tenements, as well “by chartir as by copy,” in the parish of Toteham, co. Middlesex, in fee, and all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Leonard aforesaid, comprising the “Rammeshed” in Estchepe, for life, charged with the observance of his obit, &c., in manner as directed; remainders

to Johane and Margery his daughters in tail, with cross remainders. Also to his said wife for life his leasehold property in Thamistrete in the parish of S. Dunstan in the Est, she paying yearly forty shillings towards the sustentation of the Mass and *Salve* of Jesus holden in the church of S. Leonard aforesaid; remainder to his daughters. Dated 10 February, A.D. 1480.

Roll 211 (20).

A.D.  
1481.

ANNO 22 EDWARD IV.

A.D.  
1482.

*Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and C. [13 Oct.].*

**Don** (JOHN), mercer.—To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary le Bow an annual rent of thirty-five shillings issuing from tenements in the parish of S. Brigid in Fletestrete, to the use of the said church. Dated 12 June, A.D. 1478.

Roll 212 (16).

**Don** (JOHN), senior, mercer.—To Reginald Longdon, girdler, certain tenements and shops in Hosyerlane in the parish of S. Mary le Bow for life; remainder to the rector and churchwardens of the said parish church to the use of the same, charged with the maintenance of a beam-light and of a chaplain to pray for the souls of the aforesaid Reginald, Isabell, Alice, and Johane his wives, and others, with tolling of the great bell in manner as directed. In case of default the property to go over to the Master and Brethren of the House of S. Thomas de Acon for like purposes, with further remainder in case of default to the Prior and Convent of S. Bartholomew in Westsmythfeld. Dated London, 24 December, A.D. 1472.

Roll 212 (17).

**Warham** (THOMAS), carpenter.—A certain messuage together with *le Tymberhave*<sup>1</sup> and four gardens in Lymestrete in the parishes of S. Dionisius Bakchirche and S. Andrew atte Shafte upon Cornhull he leaves to his executors named in his testament touching his movables for the space of one year; remainder to the Master and Wardens of the Freemen of the Mistery of Carpentry of the City of London and commonalty of the same, charged with observing his obit in the above churches at an

<sup>1</sup> A *have* or yard for stacking timber.

A.D.  
1482.

expenditure of twenty shillings, specific sums being given to ministers and others attending his obit, and the residue to poor householders of the aforesaid parishes in manner as directed;<sup>1</sup> remainder in case of default to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London and their successors to the use and maintenance of London Bridge, subject to the above charges. Dated 15 November, A.D. 1477. Roll 212 (18).

**Chittok** (GEOFFREY), draper.—To William Crosse, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Swithun near Candelwykstrete, he leaves certain tenements in the parish of S. Swithun aforesaid and the parish of S. Mary de Abbechirche, comprising a messuage called "Stonepeles" in the latter parish, so that they maintain a chantry in the said church of S. Swithun for the souls of Thomas Aylesby, late draper, John the father of the same, Johanna, mother of the same, Ralph Josselyn, Knt., Alderman and draper (at whose instance and request the devise is thus made), the souls of Margery and Philip (*sic*), late wives of the said Ralph, Elizabeth his present wife, and others, and also perform other religious duties in manner as directed by will of the aforesaid Thomas Aylesby. In case of default the property is to go over to the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Fraternity of the Blessed Mary of the Craft or Mistery of Drapers of London for like purposes. Dated 16 July, A.D. 1478. Roll 212 (19).

A.D.  
1482-3.

## ANNO 23 EDWARD IV.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Frery** (THOMAS), hatter.—To Thomas Shipton, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Mildred in Bredstrete and

<sup>1</sup> The freemen of the Mistery of Carpentry of the City of London had obtained from the King a charter of incorporation (7 July, 17 Edward IV.) a few months before the date of the testator's will. In the Company's Return to the Livery Companies Commission of 1880 (vol. iii. p. 225) the testator is said to have left a charge upon an estate in Lime Street of 10s., payable yearly to each of the parishes

of S. Dionis Backchurch and S. Andrew Undershaft. Mr. Hare reported in 1860 that in the former parish the bequest, which continued to be duly received from the Carpenters' Company, was distributed with Sir Robert Clarke's charity, and in the latter with the charity of Sir Thomas Rich (Report City Parochial Charities Com., 1880, vol. iii. pp. 35, 142).



their successors, certain lands, tenements, and reversions in Basynglane in the parish of S. Mildred in Bredestrete, comprising a house called "le Dirkhous," in aid of a chantry founded by Stephen Bugge, late draper, within the church of S. Mildred aforesaid, for the good of the soul of Johanna atte Wode (wife of Roger Jaket, and afterwards wife of Richard atte Wode, fishmonger), who had previously conveyed the said property to the testator jointly with others. Dated 24 May, A.D. 1463.

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1482-3.

Roll 213 (3).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Ambrose, Bishop [4 April].*

A.D.  
1483.

**Rowe** (KATHERINE, widow of JOHN).—Testamentary declaration of the trusts of a deed of feoffment (immediately preceding her will) to Thomas Bourghchier of Ledes, Knt., and others, of lands, tenements, &c., in the parish of S. Leonard, in S. Vedastlane in the parish of S. Vedast, and in the parishes of S. Peter de Westchepe and All Hallows de Berkyng, as well as in Catton Lane and Old Jewry, namely, that her said feoffees shall hold the same to her use for life; remainders to Robert, Gregory, and Reynold her sons. The feoffment is dated London, 20 March, 23 Edward IV. [A.D. 1482-3].

Roll 213 (7).

### ANNO 1 RICHARD III.

*Monday the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Patsyll** (WALTER), mercer.—To the Prior and Convent of the House of the Salutation of the Mother of God of the Carthusian Order near London a tenement or hostel called "le Fawcon *super* le hoop" in the street of Graschirche in the parish of All Hallows de Graschirche. Dated London, 24 November, A.D. 1479.

Roll 213 (15).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

A.D.  
1483-4.

**Langwith** (ELENA, relict of JOHN, tailor).—To be buried near her late husband in the church of S. Mary de Abbechirche. To the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity of Tailors and Armourers of Linen Armour of S. John the Baptist in the City of London, and their successors, certain lands and tenements for-

**A.D.**  
**1483-4.** merly belonging to John Bedell in Candelwykstrete and in Shirbouruelane, otherwise Shetbouruelane, in the parish of S. Mary de Abechirche, situate near the place called "Drapers Hall";<sup>1</sup> charged with keeping the obit of her late husband on the 18th of July in the church of S. Mary aforesaid, with religious observances and charitable gifts of coal, &c., in manner as directed. In case of default the property is to go over to the Master and Wardens of the Mistery or Craft of Cutlers of the City of London on like conditions. Dated London, 9 February, A.D. 1467. Roll 213 (30).

**A.D.**  
**1484.** *Monday next before the Feast of S. Alban, Martyr [22 June].*  
**Dun (JOHN)**, mercer.—To Henry Perveys, draper, son of John Perveys, late Alderman, certain lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Martin Ottewiche, S. Benedict Fynk, and S. Margaret in Briggestrete, which he acquired from John Horn, gentleman; to hold the same for life, with remainder to John Perveys, son of the said Henry, in tail; remainder to Thomas, brother of the said John, in tail; remainder to Elizabeth, wife of Richard Ive, gentleman, sister of the aforesaid John; remainder in trust for sale for pious uses. Dated London, 16 May, A.D. 1476. Roll 213 (37).

## ANNO 2 RICHARD III.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Wright (ALICE)**, widow.—To be buried in the church of S. Margaret in Briggestrete. To Elizabeth Chircheyerd her servant a green gown lined. The residue of her goods, after payment of debts and funeral expenses, she leaves to Elizabeth, daughter of Richard Wright, late fishmonger, together with her tenement in the parish of S. Margaret aforesaid. Dated the Vigil of Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 October], A.D. 1483.

Roll 214 (18).

<sup>1</sup> As to the situation of the Drapers' Hall in early times, and the probable identity of its site with that of the house once occupied by Henry Fitz Eylwine, of London Stone, the first Mayor, see note to the will of Henry Eburton, *infra*, Roll 226 (10).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

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1484-5.

**Stok (JOHN)**, skinner.—To be buried in the Salters' Chapel in the church of All Hallows in Bredstrete,<sup>1</sup> where Isabella his late wife lies buried. To Agnes his daughter a sum of money, two *parys* (pairs?) *peces* of silver parcel gilt, and a dozen silver spoons; and to Johane his daughter a standing gilt cup covered, two *parys peces* of silver parcel gilt, and a dozen silver spoons. To Thomas his son a sum of money for his customary portion, to be delivered to him *percelmele*<sup>2</sup> as he shall need for sustenance and array for his body. To the Fraternity of Corpus Christi of his Craft of Skinners of London one of his best standing cups covered and gilt and his three best *saltes* of silver and gilt with one cover. To the Fraternity of Corpus Christi of the Craft of Salters of London another of his best standing cups covered and gilt. Pecuniary legacies to the Fraternity of Our Lady of his Craft of Skinners, the Fraternity of S. John Evangelist in the church of S. John in Watlyngstrete, to divers orders of friars in London, to Alice his sister, his servants, apprentices, and others. The residue of his goods he leaves to Elena his wife, together with a life interest in a certain tenement in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid, subject to a quitrent, and charged with the observance of his obit in the said parish church, with lights, ringing of bells, &c., in manner as directed. The necessities of the said tenement, as cisterns, glasses, standards, presses, *warbordes*, *dressours*, shelves, *crestes*, benches, &c., not to be removed while they may endure. In case of default the property to go over to Thomas Bourn and Johane his wife, the testator's daughter, in tail; remainder to the parson and churchwardens of the church of All Hallows aforesaid to the use of the said church. Dated London, 12 August, A.D. 1483.

Roll 214 (34).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

A.D.  
1485.

**James (BARTHOLOMEW)**, Knt., Alderman<sup>3</sup> and Mayor of the City of London. — To the Wardens, Brethren, and Sisters of the

<sup>1</sup> The first hall of the Salters was situate in the parish of All Hallows, Bread Street (Herbert, 'Livery Companies,' ii. 560).

<sup>2</sup> One of a number of words in which

the Anglo-Saxon *mael*, a part, occurs in composition. We still retain the word "piecemeal," but the rest, *e.g.*, drop-meal, inch-meal, &c., are wholly obsolete

<sup>3</sup> Walbrook Ward.

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1485.

Fraternity or Guild of H. Trinity and the B.V. Mary in the parish church of S. Augustine at Hakeney he leaves certain lands, tenements, &c., in the parish of S. Nicholas at the Shambles, for the maintenance of a chantry in the aforesaid church for the welfare of the lord the King and of Elizabeth the Queen Consort, the souls of the testator, Alice his wife, and others. Dated London, 23 October, A.D. 1480. Roll 214 (45).

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[No will entered on Roll 215.<sup>1</sup>]

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A.D.  
1486-7.

## ANNO 2 HENRY VII.

*Monday the Feast of S. Vincent, Martyr [22 Jan.].*

**Padyngton (THOMAS)**, fishmonger.—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas Coldabbey. Directions as to funeral and subsequent disposal of wax torches, some of which he bequeaths to the Fraternity of Jesus in the *crowdes*<sup>2</sup> of S. Paul's Cathedral. Provision made for a chantry in the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid for the good of his soul, the souls of Margaret his late wife, John Padyngton his father, Johan his mother, John his brother, and others; the said chantry priest to say a *De Profundis* as he turns from the lavatory at the altar's end. Also to the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid he leaves two copes of the value of twelve pounds embroidered with his arms, and ten shillings to be given to poor householders within the parish. Other pecuniary legacies to the Prior and Convent of the Charterhouse, the house of the

<sup>1</sup> The absence of wills in this Roll may be accounted for by the visitation in 1485 of what is commonly known as the "sweating sickness." This disease, which is spoken of by a chronicler as "a great death and hasty," would appear to have allowed little time for citizens to execute wills, and we know as a fact that within a very short space of time it carried off two (if not three) Mayors and six Aldermen. A similar disease visited London in 1517 and again in 1528, and speedily decimated the citizens; but we do not find any increase in the number of wills enrolled in the Court of Husting, such as took place in 1349, the year of the Black Death.

<sup>2</sup> The crypt under the choir. Concerning the fraternity here mentioned Stow makes the following remarks:—"Then under the choir of Paules is a large chapel, first dedicated to the name of Jesu, founded, or rather confirmed, the 37th of Henry VI., as appeareth by his patent thereof, dated at Croydone, to this effect: 'Many liege men, and Christian people, having begun a fraternitie and guild, to the honour of the most glorious name of Jesus Christ our Saviour, in a place called the Crowdes of the cathedrall church of Paul's in London.....' &c." (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's edition, 1876, p. 123).

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1486-7.

Minoresses called "Seint Clare" without Aldgate, the Prioress and Convent of Syon, co. Middlesex, the Master and Brethren of the College of Plesshe,<sup>1</sup> co. Essex, the old work of Poules, the house of S. John near Smythfeld, the lazar house at Knyghtbrigge, and the sick people in the *lazer cotes* next about London, &c. To Elizabeth his daughter, a professed nun of the Order of S. Clare, he leaves twenty pounds. To William his brother his *musterdevilers*<sup>2</sup> gown furred. To John his son one hundred pounds. To Master William Gisborowe his little black *notte* the *kevert* gilt. To Alice his wife for her share of his goods two hundred marks. Also he leaves twenty shillings to be given *percelmele* by his executors to those preaching the word of God at *Poules Crosse*, and there praying and publishing his name among other Christian people. To Richard Layty, the parson, and churchwardens of the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid and their successors, an annual rent of ten shillings, issuing from his tenement called "the Swan on the hoope" in the parish of S. Nicholas, for keeping his obit, &c.; remainder in case of default to the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary Magdalen beside Old Fisshstrete. Also to the Minoresses without Aldgate certain rents in Fridaystrete and Distaflane to the use of Elizabeth his aforesaid daughter for life; remainder to the use of the abbess and convent for their prayers. Also to John his son tenements in Fridaystrete and Distaflane in the parish of S. Margaret Moises, subject to the above rent charge, in tail; remainder over. Dated 21 February, A.D. 1485.

Roll 216 (5).

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[Rolls 217 and 218, no wills entered.]

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## ANNO 5 HENRY VII.

A.D.  
1489.

[Session of the Court omitted.]

Lee (LETICIA, relict of RICHARD,<sup>3</sup> Knt., late Alderman and

<sup>1</sup> Plecy or Pleshy, where there was a college for a master and eight secular priests, two clerks, and two choristers, founded by Thomas of Woodstock, Duke of Gloucester, anno 17 Richard II., to the honour of the Holy Trinity.  
<sup>2</sup> See note *supra*, p. 512.  
<sup>3</sup> Alderman of Walbrook Ward Sheriff, 1452; and Mayor, 1469.

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grocer), citizen and freewoman of the City of London.—To be buried in the church of S. Stephen in Walbroke, where her late husband lies buried. To Robert Rowse, the rector, and churchwardens of the said church and their successors, lands and tenements in the street called “Bokelersbury,” in Soperlane and Puppekirtillane in the parish of S. Pancras, and in the parish of S. Thomas the Apostle in the Riote, to hold the same in trust to maintain a chantry in the aforesaid church of S. Stephen for the good of her soul, the souls of her late husband, Richard her son, and others, in manner as directed, the aforesaid rector enjoying annually the sum of twenty pence for his trouble out of the issues and profits. In case of default the property to go over to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Grocers of London on like conditions. Dated London, 1 August, A.D. 1477. Roll 219 (1).

*Monday the Feast of S. Clement, Pope [23 Nov.].*

**Lok** (THOMAS), of London, chaplain, citizen and skinner.—To be buried according to directions contained in his other testament touching his movables. To Master Giles Giglace, the rector, John Couper, vicar, and churchwardens of the church of S. Leonard de Shordiche and their successors, an annual rent of twenty shillings issuing from a brewery called “le Popynjay” in the parish of S. Mary Vanchirche, with power of distress upon another brewery called “le Swan” and a bakehouse called “le Hertyshorn” in the parish of All Hallows Stanyng, charged with the observance of an obit for the souls of Humphrey Starky,<sup>1</sup> Isabella, wife of the same, and others in manner as directed. Dated London, 12 November, A.D. 1486.

Roll 219 (14).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Hobbys** (WILLIAM).—To be buried in the church of the Priory of Christchurch and of H. Trinity. Bequests to the prior, canons, and others, and gifts to poor householders in the parish of S. Katherine. To the Barber Surgeons of London he leaves his

<sup>1</sup> Elected Recorder of the City of | Urswyk, elected Chief Baron; Serjeant-London in 1471-2 in the place of Thomas | at-Law, 1478; Chief Baron, 1484.

larger silver cup and covercle and the sum of five pounds, so that they pray for his soul. To Katherine his sister the best chamber, with all its hangings, bed, feather *bolster*, sheets, *fustians*,<sup>1</sup> &c., or if not content with these, she is to have the hangings of the parlour, with best *Tapstry*, &c., as she may prefer. To Mercy, wife of John Stareley (Staveley?), Agnes Hobbys his sister, and others similar household goods. A marble stone to be placed over his tomb, inscribed with *Hic jacet Willelmus Hobbes quondam medicus et Sirurgicus Illustrissimi domini ducis Eboracensis ac filiorum suorum regum Illustrissimorum Edwardi iij<sup>ti</sup> et Ricardi tercii quorum anime et animabus propicietur Deus amen, qui quidem Willelmus obiit xxvij<sup>o</sup> die mensis Septembris anno domini millesimo cccclxxxvij<sup>oo</sup>.*<sup>2</sup> To Thomas the Prior of Christchurch within Algate he leaves all his lands and tenements in the suburbs of London, on condition the said Thomas pay an annuity of four marks to his sister Katherine Wackyns, otherwise Beville, widow, and a similar annuity to Agnes his daughter. The residue of the issues and profits to be kept in a chest for repairs in Faitour Lane. Gifts of mazer cups (*murre*), spoons, gowns, &c., to his executors and others. Dated the Feast of the Assumption of the V. Mary [15 Aug.], A.D. 1488.

Roll 219 (15).

*Monday the Feast of S. Alphege, Bishop [19 April].*

Gardener (RICHARD), Alderman.<sup>3</sup>—To Etheldreda his wife his lands, tenements, &c., in the parishes of S. Bartholomew the Less,<sup>4</sup> S. Michael Queenhithe, and H. Trinity the Less for life; remainder to Mary his daughter in tail. In default of an heir he leaves the sum of tenpence *per diem* to five poor men in honour of the five wounds of Jesus Christ, and to five poor women in honour of the five joys of the Blessed Virgin Mary;<sup>5</sup> the said men and women being nominated by the Mayor and Recorder, and by the Master of the House or Hospital of S. Thomas de Acon, in manner prescribed. The aforesaid tenements, &c., to remain to the master of the house or hospital aforesaid and his

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1489.

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1490.

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 329.

<sup>2</sup> The testator's directions apparently ended at the word *amen*.

<sup>3</sup> Of Walbrook Ward; Sheriff, 1469.

<sup>4</sup> Or Little S. Bartholomew towards the Exchange.

<sup>5</sup> See note *supra*, p. 513.

**A.D.** successors subject to the above charge; remainder in case of  
**1490.** default to the Chamberlain of the City of London on like condition. Dated 1 April, A.D. 1488. Roll 219 (24).

**A.D.**  
**1491.**

# ANNO 6 HENRY VII.

*Monday next before F. of SS. Tiburcius and Valerian [14 April].*

**Lyffyn (THOMAS)**, draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael upon Cornhull. To John Moore, the rector, churchwardens, and Wardens of the Fraternity and Guild of S. Anne within the said church he leaves his tenement called “le Moone on the hope,” situate in the parish of S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate, so that his name and the names of Clement Lyffyn and Dame Margaret Alley, wife of the same, may be entered on the register of the fraternity and guild aforesaid, and their souls had in remembrance as benefactors. Dated 11 March, A.D. 1487.

Roll 220 (15).

**Drope<sup>1</sup> (ROBERT)**, Alderman, citizen and draper.—To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael upon Cornhull his tenements in the parish of S. Botolph without Bisshopesgate, together with garden with gate and chamber above called “le Gatehous,” charged with the observance of the obit of William Waltyngfeld, late draper, in manner as directed. A portion of the issues and profits to be distributed among poor parishioners attending the obit, and also to be devoted to providing the Easter taper, so that poor parishioners might be relieved from subscribing for the same at the time of their communion, as is the custom. The rector of the church to exhort his poor parishioners at Eastertide to pray for the souls of William aforesaid and of Alice, wife of the same, in return for such acquittance. A solemn mass of S. Ursula to be said in the church of S. Michael at five or six o'clock in the

<sup>1</sup> Alderman of Cornhill Ward; Sheriff, 1469; Mayor, 1474. One of the same name was buried in the church of S. Michael, Cornhill, “under a fair tomb of grey marble, 1485,” says Stow, who recounts how “he gave to poor maids’ marriages of that parish twenty pounds, to poor of that ward ten pounds, shirts and smocks three hundred, and gowns

of broadcloth one hundred, &c.” In the first edition of Stow’s ‘Survey’ the chronicler gives a different account of the charitable bequests made by Robert Drope, but neither of the accounts agrees with the particulars of the will here enrolled; moreover the date 1485 given by Stow is clearly wrong if his remarks apply to the testator.



morning of the Feast of *Undecim Millia Virginum*,<sup>1</sup> in the month of October [21 October]. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of the devise the property is to go over to the Master and Wardens and Society of the Mistery of Drapers of London and their successors on like conditions. Dated 18 May, A.D. 1482.

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1491.

Roll 220 (16).

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[No will entered on Roll 221.]

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ANNO 10 HENRY VII.

A.D.  
1494.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle* [30 Nov.].

**Breves**<sup>2</sup> (WALTER), "iremonger."—To be buried in the parish church of S. Sepulchre, London. Bequests to the high altar and fabric of the said church. To Alice his sister four pounds. Bequest of ten marks towards a chantry in the aforesaid church. To Thomas his son, by way of his son's share of goods and chattels, twenty pounds. To Margaret his wife all his lands, tenements, rents, &c., in the City of London and suburbs for life, without impeachment of waste; remainder to his aforesaid son in tail; remainder in trust for sale for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Sepulchre aforesaid. Dated 20 October, A.D. 1464.

Roll 222 (10).

*Monday the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin* [20 July].

A.D.  
1495.

**Hawke** (RICHARD), "foundour."—His feoffees in trust of dwelling-house in the parish of S. Margaret in Lothbury are desired to allow Elizabeth his wife to enjoy the same for life, so that she keep his obit in the said parish church in manner as directed, the parson of the said church coming to the *Quere dore* at mass time and there publicly praying for all benefactors, quick and dead, of the Fellowship of Founders of the City of London. Bequest to the Wardens and Beadle of the Craft of Founders

<sup>1</sup> The eleven thousand virgins who, according to the legend, were martyred with S. Ursula, their leader, at Cologne. Some of their bones are said to have been found, among other relics, in the old cross of S. Paul's belfry, which was

taken down in 1313-14 to be repaired ('French Chronicle of London,' Riley's translation, p. 251).

<sup>2</sup> Pronounced "Breuse"; the character "v" in the middle of a word usually standing for "u," and *vice versa*.

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1495.

being present with their fellowship at the said obit. After the decease of his aforesaid wife the above tenement to remain *amorteysed*<sup>1</sup> to the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Margaret in Lothbury, so that they bear and support the charge of the waste and making of the Sepulchre light and Paschal light, to the relief of poor parishioners, and keep his obit in manner as directed. The residue of the issues and profits after payment of all charges to be kept in a chest in the vestry or some other sure place. Dated 17 March, A.D. 1486. Roll 222 (26).

A.D.  
1495-6.

#### ANNO 11 HENRY VII.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

**Waryng** (ROGER), "taillour."—To be buried in the church of All Hallows in Bredstret. Bequests to the said church for tithes and oblations withheld or forgotten, &c.; to the sustentation of the Fraternity of S. John Baptist founded by the "Taillours" of the City of London; also to Thomas his brother, Margaret his sister, his godsons, servants, apprentices, and others. The residue of his goods and chattels to go to Margaret his wife, who is also to enjoy a life estate in his tenement at the corner of Bredstrete in the parish of All Hallows; remainder to the heirs male of his cousin William Waryng; remainders over. Also to his brother Thomas certain lands and tenements in the county of Kent. Dated 28 September, A.D. 1476. Roll 223 (25).

A.D.  
1496-7.

#### ANNO 12 HENRY VII.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Maur, Abbot [15 Jan.].*

**Cowper** (JOHN), citizen and "shether."<sup>2</sup>—To William Wade, Master of the College of S. Gregory at Sudbury,<sup>3</sup> co. Suffolk, and

<sup>1</sup> *I. e.*, in mortmain.

<sup>2</sup> Sheather, or maker of sheaths for knives. Every knife was prepared separately by three different crafts—the blade by smiths called "Bladesmythes," the handle and the other fitting work by the Cutlers, and the sheath by the Sheathers. In 1408 the Cutlers had occasion to complain of deficient workmanship on the part of the Sheathers,

the scandal of which fell upon the Cutlers (Riley's 'Memorials,' p. 567).

<sup>3</sup> The church of S. Gregory, Sudbury, was purchased in 1374 by Simon de Sudbury, then Bishop of London, and John his brother; in the following year they had the same made collegiate, and founded a college for six secular priests (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.,' p. 509).

brethren of the same, he leaves his tenement in the parish of S. Leonard in Estchepe. Dated 14 February, A.D. 1485. A.D.  
1496-7.

Roll 224 (8).

**Eburton (HENRY)**, draper.—To be buried according to directions contained in his testament touching his movables. By the privileges and liberties of the City of London, whereby a freeman solely seised as of fee of lands and tenements within the franchise of the said City may give and devise (*ponere, dare, et legare*) the same in mortmain, he, the testator, devises to the rector, churchwardens, and certain parishioners of the church of S. Mary Abchurch lands and tenements within the parish, held by him in trust, to the use of the said parish church. Dated Sunday, 13 May, A.D. 1481.

Roll 224 (9).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*

**Clopton<sup>1</sup> (HUGH)**, Alderman, citizen and mercer.—To the Master of the Collegiate Church of S. Michael in the Rirole, commonly called "Whytington College," and Fellows of the same, he leaves a certain tenement formerly belonging to John Wokkyng, charged with the observance of his obit in manner as directed. Desires without prejudice that in future, whenever there is a vacancy by reason of death or resignation of the master of the collegiate church aforesaid, preference may be given in the election of a successor to a member of the University of Oxford before all other universities. Dated 8 March, A.D. 1495. Roll 224 (15).

*[Date of Session of Court omitted].*

**Bayen (THOMAS)**, senior, vintner.—To be buried according to directions contained in his testament touching his movables. To Cecilia his daughter, wife of Richard Hansell, tailor, a certain tenement in the street called "Cordewanerstrete" in the parish of S. Mary de Aldermary for life; remainder to the Masters or Wardens of the Commonalty and Mistery of the Vintners of London, charged with observance of his obit in manner as directed, and with the payment of six shillings and eightpence out of the issues and profits to the Prior and Convent of the

<sup>1</sup> Dowgate Ward; Sheriff, 1486; Mayor, | Stratford-on-Avon (Stow's 'Survey,' 1491. Built a stone-arched bridge at | Thoms's ed., p. 42).

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House and Church of the Carmelite Friars in Fletestrete annually for similar pious uses. In case of default the property to remain to the Mayor, Aldermen, and citizens of the City of London to the use of the commonalty under like conditions. Dated London, 2 May, A.D. 1497. Roll 224 (16).

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1496.

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Porter (JOHN)**, vintner.—To the Masters and Wardens of the Commonalty and Mistery of the Vintners of the City of London and their successors he leaves certain lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Martin in the Vintry and S. James in Garlickhithe,<sup>1</sup> to be held by them to the use of the said commonalty and mistery according to the terms of the will of Guy Shuldham,<sup>2</sup> viz., that they convert to their own use a large hall, with parlour, countinghouse, pantry, yard, &c., and keep the same in repair; that they bestow thirteen little mansions lying together, parcel of the said lands and tenements ordained by him for the dwelling of poor people, upon thirteen poor and needy men or women of the said mistery,<sup>3</sup> and if such could not be found, then upon other poor and needy men or women of good fame and honest condition, to dwell in such of the said mansions as might become void rent free, each receiving one penny a week out of the issues and profits of the residue of the property; that they also observe certain obits in the aforesaid church, maintain a chantry, and perform other instructions as set out in the will of the said Guy. Dated 18 May, A.D. 1496. Roll 224 (17).

**Draper (JOHN)**, skinner.—To be buried in the church of S. Antonin, where lies the body of Johanna his late wife. To the College of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Eton a vestment of cloth of gold. His executors to cause five silver chalices, weighing in

<sup>1</sup> The property here devised is understood to form part of the present site of Vintners' Hall, situate in Thames Street, and in the parishes of S. Martin Vintry and S. James Garlickhithe.

<sup>2</sup> The date of his will (7 November, 1446) is not given here.

<sup>3</sup> Previously to the great fire of London these almshouses were adjacent to the rest of the property mentioned.

The fire having destroyed the whole of the buildings, the hall was rebuilt on an enlarged scale, but not the almshouses. Others were erected by the Company in their place, called the Vintners' Almshouses, on the north side of the Mile End Road, consisting of twelve houses and a chapel. (See Return made to Livery Companies Com., appointed in 1880, vol. ii. p. 642.)

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all sixty ounces, to be made, the same to be bestowed upon the poorest churches in the county of Essex. Bequest of forty shillings for the repair of Rochester Bridge, co. Kent. To William Pouter, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Antonin aforesaid, he leaves an annual rent of fifty-three shillings and fourpence, issuing from four messuages situate within the parish, in aid of the chantry previously founded by John de Grantham, pepperer, for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his late wife, Richard Draper his father, Juliana his mother, the said John de Grantham, and others. To the Master and Wardens, Brethren and Sisters of the Guild or Fraternity of Corpus Christi founded within the parish of S. John the Baptist, in the Ward of Walbroke, he leaves the messuages aforesaid, subject to the above rent charge, and to a further payment of three pounds six shillings and eightpence to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Antonin aforesaid for religious services. His feoffees in trust of a croft called "lasores Croft," in the parish of Halstede, co. Essex, are desired to convey the same to the vicar and churchwardens of the said parish church, for a term of ninety-nine years, for maintaining the lights called "Paschall lyght" and "Seint Mary lyght" within the church, and for other pious and charitable uses. His lands and tenements in the parish of Colne, co. Essex, to be sold, and the proceeds to be devoted to the purchase of forty thousand *Brykes*, ten thousand of which are to be given annually for four years towards the work of the belfry of the said parish church. Bequest of clothing to Roger Colman his sister's son. The master and wardens of the guild aforesaid to spend the sum of five pounds sterling upon wine for the brethren and sisters of the guild upon the Feast of Corpus Christi; also specified sums of money for gifts of coal to the poor of the parish of S. Antonin,<sup>1</sup> and to the inmates of Newgate and Ludgate. Margaret Van, late wife of Ralph Van of Halstede, to have a life interest in his mansion and garden in Halstede. Dated 18 April, A.D. 1496. Roll 224 (18).

<sup>1</sup> The sum of 13*s.* 4*d.* appears to be still paid annually by the Skinners' Company to the churchwardens of S. An-

tholin's for coals (Report Livery Companies Com., 1881, vol. iv. p. 355).

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## ANNO 14 HENRY VII.

*Monday before the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**James** (BARTHOLOMEW), Knt., Alderman and late Mayor of the City of London.<sup>1</sup> — To be buried in the chapel of H. Trinity in the parish church of S. Dunstan in the Est, to which church he leaves “a honest presbitory of *Estrich borde*”<sup>2</sup> to be set up in the “high Quere.” Other bequests to the said church and to the Brotherhood of Jesus therein. Directions for funeral and distribution of torches subsequent to burial and month’s mind. A *dirige* and mass of *Requiem* to be sung by the priests and clerks of the church of S. Dunstan aforesaid from the time of his burial “till and unto tyme my moneth mynde be fynnyssed.”<sup>3</sup> A chantry priest to be appointed by Alice his wife to pray for his soul, the souls of Johanne his late wife and others, for the space of five years or more. Bequests also to divers orders of friars, to the inmates of prisons and compters, to the Charterhouse at Shene, the Charterhouse beside London, to his servants, and others. The Mayor and Sheriffs to attend his obit, and the Brotherhood of Parish Clerks of the City of London to “be at condveyng” of his body to the aforesaid church and to attend mass. Also to Alice his wife, relict of Thomas Oulegrave, late Alderman<sup>4</sup> and Mayor,<sup>5</sup> he leaves a tenement and garden in the parish of S. Margaret Patens absolutely. To Doctor Davy Williamson, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Dunstan aforesaid, the reversion of his great tenement or messuage situate within the parish, charged with keeping his obit in manner as directed, with remainder over to some other chapel or church within London to be named by Alice his wife in case of default. William Dunthorn<sup>6</sup> of London, gentleman, appointed one of his

<sup>1</sup> Alderman of Walbrook and Tower Wards; Sheriff, 1462; Mayor, 1479.

<sup>2</sup> Deal boards from the eastern countries, probably on the Baltic (Riley).

<sup>3</sup> By a *month’s mind* is usually understood a commemorative service held at the end of one month from a person’s decease. This passage, however, seems to indicate that a *month’s mind* also described a memorial service held daily for one month, notwithstanding Dr. Furnivall’s opinion that this interpretation is “mere nonsense, originating seemingly with Polidore Virgil and some

dictionary-makers” (‘Earliest English Wills,’ p. 141, note). The question as to what constituted a month’s mind was raised and debated in *Notes and Queries*, 1882 and 1883 (Sixth Series, vols. vi., vii., and viii.).

<sup>4</sup> Of Vintry Ward.

<sup>5</sup> In 1467. He appears in Mr. Loftie’s list as “Holgrave” (‘Hist. of London,’ ii. 316).

<sup>6</sup> Town Clerk of the City, 1461–89; compiler of a book of laws and customs of the City known as ‘Liber Dunthorn,’ preserved at the Guildhall.

executors, to whom he leaves the sum of five pounds and his *ambre bedys*. Dated 24 November, A.D. 1481. Roll 225 (15).

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1498.

*Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Thomas, Martyr [7 July].*

A.D.  
1499.

**Meleman** (GEOFFREY), mercer.—To the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's certain lands, tenements, and rents in Boclersbury in the parish of S. Mary Wolchirchewawe in aid of the four chantry priests serving in the chapel near the north door of the cathedral for the souls of Adam Bury, late citizen of London, and of Roger Holme,<sup>1</sup> late canon of the said cathedral. Dated 9 February, A.D. 1496. Roll 225 (17).

### ANNO 13 HENRY VII.<sup>2</sup>

A.D.  
1497.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Carre** (JOHAN, wife of JOHN, gentleman), late wife of John Moyle, gentleman.—To be buried in the church of S. Laurence Pulteney near her late husband. To John Carre her husband she leaves all her lands, tenements, and rents in the town of Stanes, co. Middlesex, and in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate, for life; remainder in trust for sale, the proceeds to be divided into four equal parts for the following objects:—(1) the founding a chantry in the church of S. Laurence aforesaid; (2) marriage portions for poor maidens having few friends; (3) the relief of poor householders and parishioners; (4) the repair of “noyous and jeoperdes wayes.” Also to her said husband she leaves her lands and tenements in the parish of S. Margaret in Lothbury, so that he hinder not execution of this her last will. Her lands and tenements in Grenewiche Lane, London, to be sold, and one moiety to go towards the education of Thomas a Strete, son of her brother William a Strete, if so be he will become a priest, otherwise the whole of the proceeds is to be divided among the said Thomas and John a Strete, her brother's sons, and the children of her two sisters equally. To the second son of John Moyle of co. Kent, her late husband's cousin, she leaves property in “Theston Bermget”<sup>3</sup> in the said county. Her lands and tenements in

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 254.

<sup>2</sup> The membranes are not always arranged in chronological order.

<sup>3</sup> East Barming, co. Kent; unless

“Theston” refers to a neighbouring place called “Teston” (Hasted's ‘Kent,’ vol. ii. pp. 149–53).

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Yalding, co. Kent, and a messuage in the parish of All Hallows in Bread Street, to be sold, and divers sums out of the proceeds to be paid by her executors for the work of the parish church of "theston Bermeyget," the repair of the bridge<sup>1</sup> of "Theston aforesaid," the work of the parish church of Woneherssh,<sup>2</sup> co. Surrey, the light of Our Lady in the parish church of Guldeford, co. Surrey, and the repair of the parish church of S. Laurence Pulteney, London; and also to Agnes her sister, her servants, and others. A chantry priest to be maintained in the church of S. Laurence aforesaid for one whole year, and a month's mind to be observed therein for the good of her soul. Dated 20 July, A.D. 1497.

The aforesaid will was made with the assent and licence of John Carre her husband. In witness whereof he sets his seal the same day and year.

Roll 225 (27).

A.D.  
1497-8.

*Monday next after the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

**Brice** (HUGH), Knt., Alderman<sup>3</sup> and goldsmith.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Wolnoth in Lombardestrete, to the rector and churchwardens of which church and their successors he leaves his tavern called "the Cardinals Hatte," situate within the parish, charged with the maintenance of a chaplain to perform various religious duties as set forth at length, and also with providing a clerk of good and honest conversation, being expert and cunning in "the craft and science of syngyng, playing at Organs,<sup>4</sup> and techyng of childern," who shall keep a school and teach such children as he can get to sing "playne song and pryked song."<sup>5</sup> The aforesaid tavern had formerly belonged to Symond

<sup>1</sup> Over the Medway.

<sup>2</sup> Or Wonerssh.

<sup>3</sup> Of Bishopsgate and Langhourn Wards.

<sup>4</sup> The more common term is "a pair of organs," which has reference to the double bellows for the production of continuous sounds, although in the opinion of some it refers to their being made with a double row of pipes.

<sup>5</sup> *Plain-song* is described by the late Prebendary Mackenzie Walcott ('Sacred Archaeology,' s.v.) as a monotonic re-

citation, being the *Cantus Collectarum*, as distinct from the *Cantus Prophetarum*, *Epistolarum*, *Evangelii*, and *Psalmorum*, each of which admitted of certain inflections. *Prick-song* represents the less restricted melody used in anthems and hymns. It was a name given by old writers upon music to divisions or *descant* upon a plain-song or ground, and was so called from the music being written or pricked down, in contradistinction to that which was performed extemporaneously.



Eyre, draper, sometime Mayor<sup>1</sup> of the City, and had been demised by the said Symond in trust to the use of the Fraternity of the B.V. Mary and other pious uses in the church of S. Mary Wolnoth, in furtherance of which the testator charges his estates with various pecuniary bequests. Mention made of Elizabeth his wife. Dated 17 September, A.D. 1492. Roll 225 (63).

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1497-8.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

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1497.

**Coldham (ROBERT).**—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Magdalen near Oldefishstrete. To William Lychefeld, the rector, and churchwardens of the said church and their successors, divers tenements, comprising “le Kyngeshed” and “le Dolfyn” in *le Oldechaunge*, within the parish of S. Mary Magdalen, to the use of the said church and parishioners thereof, charged with the maintenance of a chantry priest for the souls of Edward Ellesmere and others, and observance of the obit of the said Edward in manner as directed. In case of default the property to go over to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Brigid the Virgin in Fletestrete for similar uses, with further remainder in case of default to the Wardens of the Commonalty of the Mistery of Fishmongers of the City of London. Dated London, 3 July, A.D. 1491. Roll 225 (64).

# ANNO 15 HENRY VII.

A.D.  
1499-1500.

*Monday next before F. of Annunciation of V. Mary [25 March].*

**Eburton (HENRY),** draper.—To William White, Mayor of the City of London and Master of the Guild or Fraternity of the Blessed Mary of the Drapers of London, the wardens and brethren and sisters of the same, he leaves divers lands and tenements of which he stands solely seised, viz., the tenements called “Drapers Halle,” formerly belonging to Robert Auguylem, Knt., otherwise called “Auguylon,” in the parishes of S. Swithun and S. Mary

<sup>1</sup> In 1445; having served Sheriff, 1434. He built, says Stow, a granary at Leadenhall in 1419, with a fair and large chapel. *Ob.* 18 September, 1459. Buried in his parish church of S. Mary Woolnoth (‘Survey,’ Strype’s ed., 1720, bk. ii. p. 84).

<sup>2</sup> See his will (Part I. p. 75), where

he devises to the Priory of Tortinton his mansion house in the parish of S. Swythun, together with garden, &c., with the exception of a tenter ground. It would appear that this mansion house afterwards came to be known as Drapers’ Hall. If that be so, the first hall of the Drapers of London possesses

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**1499-1500.** Abchirch, together with a garden which served as a tenter ground adjoining; also houses formerly belonging to Paul Salesbury, esquire, in Candelwykstrete in the parish of S. Mary de Bothawe, the tenement called "le Goote on the hope" with houses in the parish of All Hallows de Honylane in Westchepe, and others in Cornehille in the parish of S. Christopher, and elsewhere; to hold the same for ever for the support of the guild or fraternity.<sup>1</sup> Dated 14 May, A.D. 1490. Roll 226 (10).

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**1499.** *Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Porter (JOHN)**, vintner.—To be buried according to directions contained in another will touching his movables. To Margery Crofton, widow, an annual rent of thirty shillings issuing from messuages in the parish of S. Alban in Wodestrete for life; remainder to Richard Roche, Prior of the House of the Salutation of the Mother of God of the Carthusian Order near London, and convent of the same, for keeping an obit as directed, with distributions to the poor almsfolk within the hospital of Elsyngspyttell. Dated London, 1 September, A.D. 1493. Roll 226 (17).

*Monday next before F. of Translation of S. Erkenwald [14 Nov.].*

**Barlowe (ROGER)**, "taillour."—To be buried in the chapel of Our Lady and S. Nicholas within the church of S. Mary Wolchirch hawe "besides the stockes of the Citee of London." To the Brotherhood of Our Lady within the said church he leaves a tenement in Cornehill in the parish of S. Michael, so that the wardens of the fraternity keep his obit, with distribution of gifts, &c., in manner as directed. Dated 17 March, A.D. 1492.

Roll 226 (18).

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**1498.**

#### ANNO 14 HENRY VII.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Staunton (MARYON)**, widow, freewoman of the City of London.—

more than ordinary interest, inasmuch as the mansion of Robert Agnylun, so converted to their use, is said to have been the family mansion of Henry Fitz Eylwine, the first Mayor of London ('Lib. de Antiquis,' Camd. Soc., ed. by Thomas Stapleton, Preface, p. ii, note).

<sup>1</sup> From the return made by the Drapers' Company to the Livery Companies Com-

mission appointed in 1880, it appears that the property here devised comprises tenements known as Nos. 18-23, St. Swithin's Lane, No. 101, Cannon Street, No. 105, Cheapside, No. 3, Freeman's Court, and Nos. 1-4, Honey Lane Market (Report Livery Companies Com., 1881, vol. ii. pp. 187, 188, 189, 191).

To the parson, wardens, and parishioners of the church of S. James atte Garlikhyth her lands and tenements in the parish of S. Martin in the Vintry, so that they keep an obit for her soul, the souls of Thomas Staunton her late husband and others, with distribution of gifts of money, bread, cheese, spices, wine, &c., in manner as directed; remainder in case of default to the Master, Wardens, and Fellowship of the Talowchaundelers of the City of London for like purposes. Dated 20 July, A.D. 1495. Roll 226 (19).

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1498.

## ANNO 15 HENRY VII.

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1498.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

Keynes (WILLIAM), brewer.—A nuncupative will, the testator not being able, owing to the approach of death (*propter impetum mortis*), to reduce it into writing. To Elizabeth his wife his messuage in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate for life; remainder to the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity or Guild of the Blessed Mary and S. Stephen in the parish church of S. Sepulchre aforesaid, so that they keep an obit in the said church for the good of his soul, the souls of Agnes his late wife, Elizabeth his present wife, and others, with charitable gifts to the poor, &c., in manner as directed. Dated London, 26 March, A.D. 1470.

Roll 226 (20).

## ANNO 16 HENRY VII.

A.D.  
1501.

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

Oo (THOMAS), grocer.—To be buried in the church of S. Stephen in Walbroke, near the place where John Curteis, grocer, lies buried. To William Sutton, the rector, and churchwardens of the said church and their successors, a certain tenement within the parish formerly belonging to John Beverlay, charged with keeping his obit in manner as directed. Dated London, 26 November, A.D. 1491.

Roll 227 (6).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

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1500-1.

Bele (WILLIAM), "plomer."—To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Benedict Fyuk lands and tenements called

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"Venours Wharf" in the parish of S. Mary Somerset, charged with the maintenance of a chantry for the good of his soul, the souls of Robert Sympson, late draper, Sir William Pory, clerk, and others, observance of an obit, &c., in manner as directed. The devisees are also to repair the south aisle (*insula*) of the aforesaid church as well as the chapel therein, according to the terms of the last will of the aforesaid Robert Sympson, before Christmas in the year 1503. Remainder in case of default to the Master and Wardens of the Guild or Fraternity of the Blessed Mary of the Drapers of London under like conditions. Dated 16 December, A.D. 1483. Roll 227 (7).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Mildred, Virgin [20 Feb.].*

**Burell** (ELIZABETH, widow of JOHN, grocer), freewoman of the City of London.—To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Grocery of the said City four tenements in Westchepe in the parish of S. Michael le Quern, charged with the maintenance of a chantry priest to celebrate in the church of S. Stephen in Walbroke for the good of her soul, the souls of her late husband and others, and once a quarter to preach a sermon; also with the payment of forty shillings annually, out of the issues and profits, to the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. Stephen aforesaid for providing bread, wine, and wax at the celebration of masses, maintaining the Paschal lights, repairing vestments, copes, surplices, &c.; remainder in case of default to the house of S. Thomas de Acon. An obit to be kept in the said church, with bell-ringing and other observances as set out. Should the aforesaid wardens and commonalty fail to carry out the terms of the devise, the property is to go over to the rector and churchwardens of the aforesaid church, charged with the maintenance of a chantry, &c., as above, and with the distribution of forty shillings annually among poor householders of the parishes of S. Stephen aforesaid and S. Benedict Shorhog. Dated 29 June, A.D. 1498. Roll 227 (10).

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[Roll 228, no wills entered.]

## ANNO 18 HENRY VII.

A.D.  
1503.*Monday next after F. of Nativity of S. John Baptist [24 June].*

**Percyvale** (JOHN), Knt., Alderman<sup>1</sup> and late Mayor<sup>2</sup> of the City of London, citizen and "Merchaunt Taillour."—To the Master and Wardens of Merchant Tailors of the Fraternity of S. John Baptist in the City of London and their successors twelve messuages situate in the parishes of S. Mary Wolnoth and S. Michael in Cornehull, charged with the maintenance of two chantry priests to serve in the church of S. Mary Wolnoth for the good of his soul, the souls of Thomasyn his wife and others, and charged also with the observance of an obit, payment of divers charitable gifts, &c., in manner as directed. The Chamberlain of London to have six shillings and eightpence for attending obit and seeing that the above messuages are kept in repair. The master and wardens to pay annually the sum of six shillings to the churchwardens of the church of S. Mary Wolnoth for repair of books, ornaments, &c., and to expend thirty shillings annually on the purchase of coals for poor parishioners of the parish of S. Mary aforesaid.<sup>3</sup> The residue of the issues and profits after payment of all charges to be kept in the common box of the fraternity, to the maintenance and support of their common charges and needs. In case of default made by the said master and wardens the property is to go over to the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary aforesaid under like conditions, with further remainder in case of default to the Master and Brethren of the Church of S. Thomas de Acon in Westchepe. Dated 21 February, A.D. 1502. Roll 229 (18).

## ANNO 19 HENRY VII.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].***Rycrofte** (HERRY), brewer.—To be buried before the middle<sup>1</sup> Of Vintry Ward.<sup>2</sup> In 1498.<sup>3</sup> The sum of 3*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.* is paid annually to the churchwardens of S. Mary Woolnoth, who undertake its specific distribution (Return made to the Commissioners by the Merchant Tailors' Company, 1884, vol. ii. p. 424, wherethe date of Sir John's will is given as 1507, the word *twcyne* having evidently been misread for *seven*. The same mistake occurs in Herbert's work on the Livery Companies and in Mr. Hare's Report on the Company's charities made in 1861).

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altar in S. Katherine's Chapel in the church of S. Botolph without Bishopsgate. Bequest to the old works of S. Paul's. A trental of masses to be said by the Austin Friars, the White Friars, and the Black Friars respectively. Bequests to the Fraternity of Our Lady and S. John the Baptist, the Fraternity of S. Christopher and S. George, and for a chantry in the church of S. Botolph aforesaid; also to Elizabeth, daughter of Symond Taillour, and Thomas her brother, to Katherine his sister, dwelling at Waltham, co. Lancaster, Herry, son of John Rycroft, his godson, and others. Also to the aforesaid Symond Taillour, his wife's son, he leaves his best gown furred. To Margaret his wife his lands and tenements in the City and suburbs absolutely. If his executors make any month's mind for him there is to be no dinner, except to poor folk at their discretion. Dated 23 August, A.D. 1503.

Roll 230 (3).

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1504.

*Monday the Feast of S. Botolph, Abbot [17 June].*

**Marowe (WILLIAM).**—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph without Bishopsgate, where his father lies. Bequests to the said church, the church of Stoke, the Vicar of Stephenhithe, the Prior of Christchurch, &c. To Johane his wife forty pounds of his best plate and a life interest in the "Galykey" and "the Mayden heed." To Thomas his brother he leaves a book formerly belonging to his father and "Marowe key." To Thomas his son the residue of his lands and tenements in London and Middlesex in tail. To his infant *en ventre sa mère* (if any) he leaves lands and tenements in Essex, called "Gaulstrete," "Uplond," and "Upney," in tail; remainder over. To his cousin Frawik his cup of jasper; to Elizabeth and Katherine his daughters forty pounds each, to be paid at their marriage or profession;<sup>2</sup> and to Anne Duklyng his daughter twenty nobles yearly till the sum of ninety pounds has been paid. His wood in Middlesex and Essex, except such as [if removed] should disfigure his place of Popler, to be sold if necessary for the repair of the corner house in Petywales, his

<sup>1</sup> "Near unto this Customer's Key [Custom House] towards the east is the said water gate, and west from it Porter's Key, then Galley Key, where the gallies were used to unlade, and land their merchandises and wares; and that

part of Thames street was therefore of some called Galley row, but more commonly Petty Wales" (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 52).

<sup>2</sup> Entering a convent and becoming a professed nun.

tenement in Philpot Lane, and others. Dated 26 February, 14 Henry VII. [A.D. 1498-9]. Roll 230 (11). A. D.  
1504.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Alphege, Abp. [19 April].*

**Hert (JOHN)**, grocer and freeman of the City of London.—To Thomas the Abbot of the Monastery of the B.V. Mary and of S. Egwin, Bishop, at Evesham,<sup>1</sup> and convent of the same of the Benedictine Order in the diocese of Worcester, an annual rent of five pounds six shillings and eightpence, issuing from the messuage called “le White Bulle on le hoope” in West Smythfeld in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate, and from lands and tenements in Bassyngeshawe in the parish of S. Michael and elsewhere, formerly granted to the testator by Thomas Cremor and John Bounde, drapers. Dated 30 March, A.D. 1504. Roll 230 (17).

#### ANNO 20 HENRY VII.

*Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and C. [13 Oct.].*

**Hogan (SIMON)**, draper and freeman of the City of London.—Testament touching the advowson and patronage of the parish church of S. Michael in Cornhill, of which he was jointly seised with others by gift of the reverend father in Christ Thomas, Abbot of the Monastery of the B.V. Mary and of S. Egwin, Bishop, of Evesham in the diocese of Worcester,<sup>2</sup> which he leaves to the Master and Wardens of the Guild or Fraternity of the B. Mary of the Drapers of London and to the brethren and sisters of the same to their own use.<sup>3</sup> Dated London, 11 May, A.D. 1504.

Roll 231 (3).

*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

**Knyght (RICHARD)**, fishmonger.—To be buried according to directions contained in his testament touching his movables. To the Wardens of the Craft or Mistery of the Fishmongers of the City of London a messuage and other tenements, with *teynter-*

<sup>1</sup> Co. Worcester. Egwin, third Bishop of Worcester, with the help of Ethelred and Kenred, Kings of Mercia, built and endowed an abbey here, A.D. 701, in honour of the Blessed Virgin, for monks

of the Benedictine Order (Tanner's 'Notit. Monast.', p. 618).

<sup>2</sup> See previous note.

<sup>3</sup> The advowson and patronage still remain with the Drapers' Company.

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1504.

*yard*, &c., formerly belonging to Lord Scrope, near Lymestrete in the parish of S. Andrew upon Cornhyll,<sup>1</sup> charged with the observance of an obit or anniversary in the church of S. Margaret in Bryggestrete for the good of his soul, the souls of Elizabeth and Johane his wives, and others, with various charitable doles, &c., in manner as directed. The residue of the issues and profits, after payment of all charges, to be devoted to the repair of the property and to the relief and comfort of all his Fellowship of Fishmongers.<sup>2</sup> His feoffees in trust of a large garden, alley, &c., in the aforesaid parish to hold the same to the use of Johane his wife for life; remainder to the use of the Wardens of Fishmongers in Bryggestrete and their successors, so that the said wardens maintain the same for the recreation and disport of themselves, and of such others as they may please to call thither unto them hereafter. The issues and profits coming out of a *teynter* situate at the entrance of the garden to be devoted to the common use and behoof of all the Wardens and Commonalty of the whole Fellowship and Craft of Fishmongers within the City of London. In case of default the whole of the property to go over to the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Margaret aforesaid to the use of the said church, charged with observance of obit, &c. Dated 11 October, A.D. 1501. Roll 231 (4).

**Hongreforth** (ALICE), widow.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael in Cornehyll. Bequests to the said church, to the Fraternities of S. Michael and Our Blessed Lady, and S. Anne and S. George therein; to poor householders in the Ward of Cornehyll; to poor prisoners, the four orders of friars of London, &c. Among other bequests are the following :—To Elyanore, daughter of William Adlyngesflete, two square salts of silver parcel gilt with covering; to Isabell, wife of William Holt, grocer, and to Elyanore, wife of Thomas Carter, draper, white *bolle coppys* of silver; to Alice, wife of Walter Mower, and Elizabeth, wife of

<sup>1</sup> Generally known as S. Andrew Undershaft. The street of Cornhill formerly extended further eastward than at the present day.

<sup>2</sup> Touching this devise to the Fishmongers' Company, Mr. Hare reported to the Charity Commissioners in 1861 that the sum of 13s. 4d. a year was

deemed to be chargeable on this estate, and was carried to the account of "the half-yearly poor." The Company in their return to the Commission of 1880 set out various tenements in Fenchurch Avenue as having been acquired under this will (Report Livery Comp. Com. 1884, vol. ii. p. 263).



William Game, similar cups with images of S. John in the bottom, &c. To the parish church of Blakemore, co. Essex, a sum of money for buying a book or a vestment; her executors to see that the roof of the said church be properly *seled* with *Estryche boord*. To William Holt and Thomas Carter her tenement in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid, charged with keeping her obit in the said parish church, with charitable gifts, wood and coal to the poor householders in the parish,<sup>1</sup> &c., in manner as directed. In case of default the property to go over to the Master and Wardens of the Craft of Drapers of the City of London under similar conditions. Dated 1 September, A.D. 1491.

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1504.

Roll 231 (5).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Vincent, Martyr* [22 Jan.].

A.D.  
1504-5.

Brice (ELIZABETH, widow of HUGH, Knt., late Alderman and goldsmith).—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Wolnoth. To Richard Rawlyn, the parson, and churchwardens of the said church and their successors, an annual quitrent of twenty shillings issuing from certain tenements in the parishes of S. Mary Wolnoth and S. Michael upon Cornhill, so that the said parson and churchwardens observe an obit, with gifts of money to the poor of the parish, as well as to the vicar and parishioners of Ruston, co. York, &c., in manner as directed. In default the said annual quitrent to go over to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Fellowship of Goldsmiths of the City of London. An obit to be kept in the church of Ruston aforesaid for the good of her soul, the souls of her husband, James Brice their son, Hugh and Elizabeth children of the said James, and others. Dated 25 September, A.D. 1498.

Roll 231 (14).

Burton (JOHN), "pouchemaker."—To John Lychefelde, the parson, and churchwardens of the church of S. "Awsten" next the gate of S. Paul's and their successors, divers lands and tenements in Watlyngstrete in the parish of S. "Awsten" aforesaid,

<sup>1</sup> There is no specific mention of this charity in Mr. Hare's Report on the charities of the parish of S. Michael, Cornhill, made in 1860. He, however, states that there was a fund of 41*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, which was formerly held by the churchwardens in respect of sundry gifts of unknown donors for coals, and devoted to parish purposes (City Parochial Charities Com., 1880, vol. iii. p. 270).

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**1504-5.** to the use of the said parish church, charged with the maintenance of a wax taper to burn within the same in like manner as Mawde Frosdeyn had caused a similar light to be founded there since the decease of Robert her husband, under penalty of paying six shillings and eightpence to the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. John the Evangelist in Watlyngstrete for every default. Dated 8 January, A.D. 1503.

Roll 231 (19).

**NOTE.**—The above will was made an exhibit in Chancery in Attorney-General and others, Informant plaintiffs *v.* Leonard Clow and David Palmer, defendants.

**A.D.**  
**1505.** *Monday next before the Feast of S. Botolph, Abbot [17 June].*

**Frynd or Frend (JOHN)**, goldsmith.—To be buried in the church of S. Botolph without Aldriche gate, near his wives who lie there. Bequests to the said church and to the Fraternity of SS. Fabian and Sebastian therein. To John Frende his apprentice a bedstead with appurtenances. The residue of his goods to be divided into three equal parts, whereof one part is to go to Anne his wife in the name of her full part and dower due to her by usage and custom of the City, the second part to go to Johan his daughter for her full part of his goods due to her after the good rules and constitution of the City, and the third part he reserves to himself and his executors for payment of debts, legacies, &c. The lands and tenements in Rikmansworth, co. Herts, which he had with Anne his wife, are to remain to his said wife absolutely. Dated 5 December, A.D. 1501.

Roll 231 (30).

**Hardebene (ROBERT)**, mercer.—To Agnes his wife certain tenements in Gracechirchestrete in the parish of All Hallows in Lombardestrete absolutely. To Thomas his son his lands and tenements in Adderby,<sup>1</sup> Snetterby,<sup>2</sup> and Wadyngham,<sup>3</sup> co. Lincoln, in tail; remainder to Elizabeth and Johanne his daughters in successive tail. To Alice, wife of John Bales, a life estate in the tenement called “the Cok” at Brandon Ferry, co. Norfolk; remainder to John Legge of Brandon Ferry if the said John will

<sup>1</sup> Atterby.

<sup>2</sup> Snitterby.

<sup>3</sup> Waddingham.

keep and perform his bargain and payment of twenty-five pounds for the same by yearly instalments of five pounds, otherwise the tenement is to go to Agnes his aforesaid wife. Dated 17 March, A.D. 1498. Roll 231 (36).

A.D.  
1505.

# ANNO 21 HENRY VII.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Martyn** (WILLIAM), Alderman.<sup>1</sup> — To be buried according to directions contained in another testament touching his movable goods, which he has either made or is about to make. In execution of the last will of Richard Hylle, gentleman, he leaves to the Master and Brethren of the House or Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr of Canterbury, called “de Acon,” certain messuages of which he has become solely seised in the parishes of S. Mildred, S. Mary de Colchirch, and S. Martin Pomere, charged with the maintenance of a chantry for the souls of the said Richard Hylle, Elizabeth, wife of the same, William Huddesfeld, Knt., Dame Katherine, wife of the same, and others. Dated 20 August, A.D. 1505. Roll 232 (6).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*

A.D.  
1505-6.

**Alwyn** (NICHOLAS), Alderman<sup>2</sup> and mercer. — To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Mercery of the City of London and their successors he leaves a certain messuage in the parish of S. Antonin which he acquired from John Colet, clerk, Dean of S. Paul's, charged with the observance of an obit in the church of S. Thomas the Martyr called “de Acon,” or in the chapel annexed thereto called “le Mercers Chapell,” for the souls of Thomas Wyndout, late mercer and Alderman,<sup>3</sup> Thomas Northland, late Alderman,<sup>4</sup> Johanna, wife of the same, and others, in manner as directed. Dated 18 November, A.D. 1505. Roll 232 (14).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Cuthbert, Bishop [20 March].*

**Alwyn** (NICHOLAS), Alderman and mercer. — To be buried according to directions contained in his will touching his movables. To Sir Richard Adam, clerk, Master of the House or Hospital of

<sup>1</sup> Of Cordwainer Street Ward.

<sup>2</sup> Of Bassishaw Ward.

<sup>3</sup> Of Cripplegate and Coleman Street Wards successively.

<sup>4</sup> Of Bishopsgate Ward.

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1505-6.

S. Thomas the Martyr called "Acon," and brethren of the same, certain messuages in the parish of S. Pancras, and a little house called "the Siegehous," near Puppekirtyllane, in the same parish, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the chapel founded by Sir Edmond Shaa,<sup>1</sup> Knt., late Mayor of the City, within the church of S. Thomas aforesaid, for the souls of Hugh, son of the said Sir Edmond, Julian, wife of the said Sir Edmond, and others, and also with the observance of an obit in manner as directed, upon pain of paying to the Wardens of the Craft or "Mistere" of Mercers in the City of London the sum of ten shillings for each default. In case of default made for half a year the whole of the property is to go over to the wardens aforesaid. Dated 31 December, A.D. 1505. Roll 232 (21).

A.D.  
1506-7.

#### ANNO 22 HENRY VII.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Mildred, Virgin [20 Feb.].*

Long (JOHN), chaplain, citizen and tailor, and freeman of the City of London.—To Master Peter Vason, rector of the parish church of S. Edmund the King and Martyr, and successors of the same, certain messuages and rents, one of the said messuages being known as *le Bell*, in Birchenlane in the parish of S. Edmund aforesaid, of which he had become solely seised, charged with the distribution of forty shillings yearly in bread and coal among poor parishioners,<sup>2</sup> and also with the maintenance of an obit and

<sup>1</sup> Alderman of Cheap by prerogative in 1484 on the death of Sir Thomas Hill, then Lord Mayor, from the sweating sickness; Sheriff in 1474; Mayor in 1482-3, the year of the death of King Edward V., and of the accession of Richard III. His brother, Dr. Shaw, preached a notorious sermon at S. Paul's Cross, in which he inveighed against the character of the late king, and endeavoured to excite the feeling of the citizens in favour of the Duke of Gloucester as successor to the Crown. The Mayor himself had had commercial dealings in his capacity as a goldsmith with Gloucester, and was doubtless ready to give political support to one who had also honoured him by making him a member of the Privy Council. He is said to have left a sum of money by will (not enrolled) for rebuilding the Cripplegate.

<sup>2</sup> This charity was in 1833 the subject of a decree in Chancery under an information entitled "The Attorney-General at the relation of Thomas Fortune v. Richard London and others." It was then ordered, among other things, that the annual sum of 20*l.* should be laid out in the purchase of bread to be distributed by the rector and churchwardens between Lady Day and Michaelmas Day every year among the poor of the parish, and that a similar sum should similarly be laid out for gifts of coal. Other sums were to be devoted to supplying the poor of the parish with blankets, butchers' meat, &c., and to defraying church expenses (Report City Parochial Charities Com., 1880, vol. iii. p. 163).

two chantry priests in manner as directed. In case of default the property is to go over to the churchwardens of the church of S. Peter in Cornhill, charged with an annual payment of seven pounds to two chantry priests to serve in the said church. Dated London, 6 January, A.D. 1503.

A.D.  
1506-7.

Roll 233 (13).

# ANNO 23 HENRY VII.

A.D.  
1507-8.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

**Miller (THOMAS)**, fuller.—To Robert Gower, parson of the church of S. Oloffes,<sup>1</sup> and churchwardens of the same, he leaves the reversion of a quitrent of thirteen shillings issuing from a tenement in Martlane in the parish of S. Oloffes, for pious uses in the said parish church for the souls of Robert Trot, "talough-chaundeler," Margery and Anneys, wives of the same, and others. The clerk of the said church to have for his labour fourteen pence, "so that he fynde oon persone to kepe the Quere at same our lady masse while he plaith at Organs or elles that he kepe the quere whiles that the same personne playes at Organs." In case of default remainders over. Dated London, 2 March, A.D. 1472.

Roll 234 (12).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Elyngwordth (RICHARD)**, gentleman.—To be buried in the parish church of S. Peter at Micheham in Sowthrey.<sup>2</sup> To Katherine his wife his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Michael in Cornhill and S. Bartholomew the Little for life; remainder to William his brother. To John Bradley all his clothing which is in a chest in "Cliffordes yn."<sup>3</sup> Richard his father appointed one of his executors. Dated 9 December, A.D. 1407.<sup>4</sup>

Roll 234 (16).

<sup>1</sup> S. Olave, Hart Street.

<sup>2</sup> Mitcham, co. Surrey.

<sup>3</sup> An inn for students of law, situate near the church of S. Dunstan in the West, and formerly belonging to the Lords Clifford, ancestors of the Earls of Cumberland, by gift of Edward II. The six attorneys of the Marshalsea Court, better known as the Palace Court, from its causes having to be

heard near the Palace in the city of Westminster, had their chambers in this inn, which was the oldest inn of Chancery.

<sup>4</sup> Exactly one hundred years appear to have elapsed between the execution of this will and its enrolment (an unprecedentedly long time), unless there be some mistake in the date of the will.

A.D.  
1508-9.

## ANNO 24 HENRY VII.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

**Fynche** (JAMES), "sherman."<sup>1</sup>—To be buried in the cloister of the college or parish church of S. Michael in the "Roialle" called "Whittyngdons College,"<sup>2</sup> of London. After mentioning a recovery in the Husting of London for Pleas of Land held Monday next before the Feast of S. Scolastica, Virgin [10 February], anno 24 Henry VII. [A.D. 1508-9], made by him jointly with others against Robert Scrace and Robert Cressy of thirty-six messuages and a wharf in the lane called "Battleslane," otherwise called "Hey-wharfe Lane," of which messuages he had become subsequently solely seised by virtue of a release from his joint feoffees, he devises the aforesaid messuages to the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Shermen<sup>3</sup> of the City of London and their successors, charged with providing a Bachelor or Doctor of Divinity as a Reader of Divinity in the aforesaid college, and also with the observance of an obit for the good of his soul, the souls of Elizabeth his late wife and others, in manner as directed. In case of default the property is to go over to the Prior and Convent of the Charter House for like purposes, with further remainder in case of default to the Mayor and citizens of the City of London. Dated 15 February, A.D. 1508. Roll 235 (19).

A.D.  
1509.

## ANNO 1 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Chawry** (RICHARD), Alderman<sup>4</sup> and freeman of the City of London.—To Robert Rede, Knt., Chief Justice of the Common Bench, and to Margaret, wife of the same, he leaves a certain tenement in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate which he had acquired from Stephen Jenyns, citizen and Alderman,<sup>5</sup> by deed enrolled in the Husting of London for Pleas of Land

<sup>1</sup> Shearer of the nap of cloth.

<sup>2</sup> The church of S. Michael Paternoster Church, otherwise called S. Michael Paternoster Royal, from its being situate in the street known as the Riote, was rebuilt and made collegiate by Richard Whittington, the famous Mayor and pub-

lic benefactor, by royal licence granted anno 11 Henry IV.

<sup>3</sup> Incorporated *temp.* Henry VIII. with the Clothworkers of London.

<sup>4</sup> Of Candlewick Ward.

<sup>5</sup> Of Castle Baynard Ward.

held Monday next before the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.], 24 Henry VII. [A.D. 1508],<sup>1</sup> to hold the same for their lives; remainder to the Prior and Convent of the House of the Salutation of the Mother of God of the Carthusian Order near London, so that the names of the said Robert and Margaret be placed in the codex of the convent called "le Martylage boke,"<sup>2</sup> to be remembered in prayers, &c. Dated Friday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.], A.D. 1508. Roll 236 (68).<sup>3</sup>

A.D.  
1509.

### ANNO 2 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

Newenton (SIMON), cutler.—Recites how he has become solely seised of certain messuages in the parish of S. Botolph without Aldgate, formerly belonging to Annes Carter, whereof one tenement was known as "the Wolle Sak"; and in execution of the last will of the aforesaid Annes, made 31 March, 1469, leaves the same to the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Mistery of Cutlers<sup>4</sup> within the City of London, charged with the observance of an obit for the souls of the said Annes, Robert Duk, John Ball, and others, in manner as directed. Dated 18 June, A.D. 1509.

Roll 236 (63).

A.D.  
1510.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Nicholas, Bishop [6 Dec.].*

Alexaunder (THOMAS), "peauterer."—To the rector and churchwardens of the church of S. James the Apostle at Garlikhithe a certain annual rent issuing from tenements in Morelane or Morestrete in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate, charged with the maintenance of an obit for the souls of Thomas Dounton, Johanna, wife of the same, Isabella their daughter, late wife of Robert Ballard, and others, with charitable gifts to the poor, &c., in manner as directed; remainder over, in case of default, to the

<sup>1</sup> See Hust. Roll 235 (2).

<sup>2</sup> See note *supra*, p. 331.

<sup>3</sup> It will be seen that in this Roll the membranes are transposed, and the years count backward, beginning with the last membrane.

<sup>4</sup> From the return made by the Company to the Commission of 1880 it appears that the Company's estate under

the will of Agnes Carter comprises the Synagogue in Carter Street, Houndsditch, tenements known as Nos. 18-22, Carter Street, the Cloth Exchange, and other premises in Exchange Place, Cutler Street, and White Street (Report Livery Companies Com., 1881, vol. iii. pp. 340-41).

**A. D.** right heirs of the said Isabella Ballard, charged with keeping his  
**1510.** obit in the parish church of Estgrenewiche, co. Kent. Dated  
 10 October, A.D. 1502. Roll 236 (54).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Hert (JOHN)**, "bruer."—To Isabell his wife his lands and tenements in the parish of S. James of Garlykhith for life, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the said parish church, and observance of his obit in manner as directed; remainder to Thomas Snodenham, fishmonger, for life, under similar conditions; remainder to the Master of the Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr, called S. Thomas of Acon, of London, and to the co-brethren of the same place and their successors. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of the devise the property is to go over to the Prior and Convent of the Charterhouse near London, with further remainder to the Wardens and Fellowship of the Craft or Mistery of "Bruers" of the City of London. Dated 20 April, A.D. 1509. Roll 236 (52).

**Hasyll (THOMAS)**, fishmonger.—Testament touching the disposal of a certain quitrent, issuing from tenements in the parish of S. Nicholas Coldabbey, according to the last will of John Snoring, late fishmonger, which he leaves to Richard Lete, the rector, and churchwardens of the said parish church and their successors, charged with the observance of the obit of the said John Snoring in manner as directed; remainder over in case of default. Dated 5 May, A.D. 1491. Roll 236 (51).

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**1511.**

### ANNO 3 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Hille (PETER)**, cordwainer.—To Master John Smyth, clerk, Professor of Sacred Theology, and vicar of the parish church of S. Sepulchre, and successors of the same, he leaves a parcel of land and houses of which he had become solely seised, situate within Newgate in the said parish, so that they permit the Wardens of the Fraternity of S. Mary, S. Stephen, and S. Gabriel within the said church to enjoy the issues and profits of the same, and there-



with observe the obit or anniversary of Robert Guybon and of Alice, wife of the said Robert, in manner as directed; remainder in case of default to the Prior and Convent of S. Bartholomew for like purposes. Dated 7 October, A.D. 1503. Roll 236 (42). A.D.  
1511.

**Kelk (STEPHEN)**, goldsmith.—Testament touching the disposal of certain messuages which he acquired from Juliana Shaa, widow, Thomas Riche, mercer, and John Shaa, goldsmith, in fulfilment of the last will of Edmund Shaa, late Knt., Alderman and Mayor of the City of London, which messuages he now leaves to the Master and Brethren of the House or Hospital of S. Thomas the Martyr, called “de Acon,” so that they maintain a chantry priest in that church who shall say masses and other services in manner as directed, and also observe an obit with distribution of charitable gifts as prescribed. In case of default the property is to go over to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Art of Goldsmiths of the City of London for assisting poor honest men of the craft, more especially those of the clothing of the said commonalty. Dated 20 December, A.D. 1493. Roll 236 (41).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Scolastica, Virgin [10 Feb.].* A.D.  
1511–12.

**Braibroke (JOHN)**, “marchaunthaberdassher” and freeman of the City of London.—To the Prior of the Hospital or Monastery of S. Mary de Elsyngspitell and convent of the same he leaves a certain tenement in the parish of S. Laurence in Old Jewry, which he had acquired from William Game and Thomas Carter, citizens and drapers. Dated London, 20 March, A.D. 1508.

Roll 236 (34).

#### ANNO 4 HENRY VIII.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

**Maryner (WILLIAM)**, salter.—To the Abbess and Convent of the Monastery of the “Mynores” without Algate of the Order of S. Clare a tenement called “the Anker,” in the parish of our Blessed Lady Barkyng next the Tower, to hold the same charged with the observance of an obit for the souls of Robert “Fith” Symond of Barlyng, co. Essex, Dame Katherine, wife of the same, Johan

**A.D.** Fitz-lewes their daughter, and others; and also with distributing  
**1512-13.** certain sums of money to the nuns of the monastery for pittances,  
 new year's gifts, &c. Dated 20 January, A.D. 1511.

Roll 236 (14).

**A.D.** *Monday next after the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*  
**1512.**

**Danyell (GERARD)**, fishmonger.—To the parson and church-wardens of the church of S. Margaret Moyes in Frydaystrete his lands and tenements in the parish of S. "Denys" Bakchurche, charged with the payment of a salary of four pounds to a priest and with the observance of an obit in the said church of S. Margaret in manner as directed. The devisees are also to pay the sum of thirteen shillings and fourpence to the Masters of the "Bachelers"<sup>1</sup> of the Fishmongers of London attending said obit, the said sum to be expended upon a recreation of and for the said "Bachelers." Dated 18 August, A.D. 1512. Roll 236 (3).

**Percyvale (DAME THOMASINA**, late wife of **SIR JOHN**, Knt.), citizen and freewoman of the City of London.—After reciting how her late husband had previously devised, by will dated 21 February, A.D. 1502, twelve messuages, situate in the parish of S. Mary Wolnoth and elsewhere, to the Master and Wardens of "Merchaunt Taillours" of the Fraternity of S. John the Baptist in the City of London,<sup>2</sup> charged with the maintenance of a chantry, observance of obit in the church of S. Mary aforesaid, &c., with remainders in case of default to the parson and church-wardens of the said parish church, the Master and Brethren of the Church of S. Thomas of Acon, and to the Mayor and citizens of London successively, subject to like conditions; she testifies her desire to uphold her late husband's will, and further devises to the same master and wardens seven messuages situate in the parishes of S. Martin in the Vintry and S. "Denys" Backechirche, in aid of the aforesaid chantries in the church of S. Mary

<sup>1</sup> Members of the Company ranking beneath those of the Livery and above those who enjoyed the mere freedom. In some companies (*e.g.*, those of the Merechant Taylors and Ironmongers) they were known as yeomen. They had their own warden. The earliest

minute-book of the Grocers' Company (fol. 165) has the following note under the year 1428: "Item of diverse persones Ikallyd bachelers to the glazing of the parlour, Summa ixli. xiijs. iiijd."

<sup>2</sup> His will enrolled *supra*, p. 605.

Wolnoth, and other pious and charitable uses as prescribed. Among various charges is that of fivepence a week to be given to five poor householders in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid in honour of the five wounds of our Lord; the sum of two shillings yearly to the churchwardens of the same church of S. Mary, to the intent that they should be the better willing to help the master and wardens of the fraternity aforesaid in the distribution of certain money and coals which Sir John Percyvale her late husband had appointed to be given to poor householders in the parish;<sup>1</sup> another sum of two shillings and fourpence to the same churchwardens for providing wax tapers at Easter, and other sums to "conductes"<sup>2</sup> or clerks, and to preachers at Paul's Cross and S. Mary Spital for sermons, &c. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of the devise the property is to go over to the Master and Brethren of the House of S. Thomas Acon. Dated 12 February, A.D. 1508. Roll 236 (1).

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1512.

## ANNO 6 HENRY VIII.

A.D.  
1514.

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

Knesesworth<sup>3</sup> (THOMAS), fishmonger and Alderman.—To the Wardens of the Craft or Mistery of Fishmongers of London and Commonalty of the same and their successors he leaves lands and tenements near the lane sometime called "Sporyerslane,"

<sup>1</sup> See note 3, *supra*, p. 605.

<sup>2</sup> A *conduct* or *conductor* was strictly speaking a farmer of the revenues of a church, one who undertook to collect them for a certain sum. The term was more loosely applied to any overseer or administrator, and more especially to one who superintended a choir. Among the churchwardens' accounts of the church of S. Michael, Cornhill, for the year 1509, there is an agreement with Henry Orlow, "conduct" of the said church, whereby he covenants among other things to "be present in syngyng and helpyng of the service of God" on the principal festivals and "other suche dayes as orgayns shall there be occupied," and further to find four children to help the choir on principal feasts and holy days in "syngyng of pryksong and playnsong." The Corporation exercised the right of appointment of ministers and "conducts" of Christ

Church, Newgate ('Remembrancia,' p. 126).

<sup>3</sup> An information was filed 21 November, 1833, by the Attorney-General against the Fishmongers' Company respecting the Company's estates under this will, an account of which, as also of subsequent proceedings at law, will be found in Mr. Hare's Report on the charities of the Company to the Charity Commissioners in 1861. (See also Law Reports, 2 Beavan, 151.) The Company took counsel's opinion in 1841 upon certain questions, one being as to whether they were still bound to pay the sum of forty shillings to the prisons of Ludgate and Newgate. Counsel advised that in their opinion the Company could not safely dispense with that payment. This sum continued to be paid to the City Chamberlain at least down to the year 1861.

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now called "Waterlane," and elsewhere in the parish of S. Dunstan in the East, and others in the parishes of S. Margaret in Brydgestrete and S. Magnus, charged (among other things) with keeping an obit in the chapel of Our Lady at the Guildhall in manner as directed. Four priests studying in art or divinity at Oxford or Cambridge and having no benefice to be appointed by the wardens to pray for the souls of the testator and others, failing which the wardens are to pay the sum of forty shillings to the Chamberlain of the City, whereof ten shillings are to be bestowed on poor prisoners of Ludgate and Newgate. Thirteen poor men and women to be clothed and housed by the said wardens, who are also charged with the payment, out of the issues and profits of the tenements aforesaid, of the sum of four pounds annually to the Prior and Convent of Roseston,<sup>1</sup> co. Herts, for a canon to pray for his soul at the altar and *lavetour* when the Gospel is done, and other pious uses. To prisoners in Ludgate and Newgate he leaves an annual sum of forty shillings out of the aforesaid rents and profits, to be expended in such things as they shall most need. A member of the clothing of the Fellowship of Fishmongers to be elected rent-gatherer and to keep all accounts, which are to be audited by the Chamberlain of London. The residue of the issues and profits, after all charges paid, to be laid up in the treasury-house of the fellowship, together with a further sum of one hundred marks to be paid by his executors, for the purpose of making loans upon sufficient security to poor members of the fellowship, who shall say five *paternosters* and five *aves* and a *crede* for his soul. In case of default made by the said wardens in carrying out the terms of his will the property is to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty and citizens of London and their successors for like purposes. Dated 13 April, A.D. 1513.—Also to the Fellowship of Fishmongers he leaves two tablecloths of diaper "with true loves," together with towels and napkins "of the same werk."

Roll 237 (12).

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1514-15.*Monday the Feast of S. Gregory, Pope [12 March].*

Coote (HENRY), goldsmith.—To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Society of Goldsmiths within the City of London he leaves

<sup>1</sup> Royston, where there was a Priory of Black Canons.

(among other things) a tenement called "le Hertes horne" in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen near Oldefisshestrete, and lands and tenements attached to the chantry founded by Thomas Lichefeld in the church of S. John Zacarie, called "Lichefeldes Chauntery," in trust for the maintenance of the said chantry for the souls of the said Thomas Lichefeld, Bartholomew Reed, late Knt., Alderman and goldsmith, Roger and Katherine, the parents of the said Bartholomew, and others, in manner as directed. In case of default the property to go over to the Bishop of London for the time being for like purposes. Dated 14 May, A.D. 1512.

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Roll 237 (23).

*Monday next before the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

**Thwaytes** (THOMAS), mercer of London and burgess of the town of Calais.—To be buried in the chapel of S. Jerome within the Chartyrhous near London. Bequests to the curates of the parish church of Barnes and Our Lady of Aldermary in London, to the curates of the parish churches of Our Lady and of S. Nicholas in Calais, and to the "almous of either of the twoo Trinite tables" in Calais. His daughter Ursula to be maintained by his executors until such time as she be in the "abyte" of some religion; and if she become "professed in to some religion," he leaves to her divers household goods. To Master Morgan Huwes he leaves a *Sparver*,<sup>1</sup> with other stuff belonging to a bed, and some books. To the Abbess of Barkyng his written *portuous* and a *Sparver*, "the whiche sumtyme was Henryes the vj<sup>th</sup>." Chantries to be maintained in the parish church of S. Helyn in Assheby beside Perteney,<sup>2</sup> co. Linc., the parish church of Tetney, the church of Our Lady in Calais, &c. A month's mind to be kept for his soul in the church of Our Lady of Aldermary, London. To the Prior and Convent of the Charter House he leaves all his jewels and stuff of his chapel for use in the aforesaid chapel of S. Jerome, and to every brother of the said house twelve pence. Proclamation of his decease to be made at Poules Cross and in

<sup>1</sup> The canopy or wooden frame of a bed; sometimes, as here, applied to the bed itself. "*Liet de parement*.....a bed of State, or a great *Sparver* bed, that serves only for shew, or to set out a room" (Cotgrave, s.v. "Parement").

<sup>2</sup> Ashby, commonly called Ashby-by-Spilsby, to distinguish it from other villages of the same name and in the same part of the county, is distant about two miles from Spilsby, and one mile and a half from Partney.

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either of the two parish churches of Calais for the purpose of adjusting any wrong he may have done any person during his life. Also to the Prior of the House or Church of the Salutation of the Blessed Mother of God of Charter House he leaves the reversion of certain lands and tenements in the parish of Our Lady of Aldermary. His other manors, lands, and tenements in the City of London, in the parish of Barnes, co. Surrey, and in the town of Calais to be sold to pay his debts. His leasehold interest in the manor of Barnes, held under the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's, to be also sold, the said Dean and Chapter having the first refusal. To Thomas Barnewell and Margaret, wife of the same, he leaves one of his two mills in the "marche" of Calais. Dated 7 April, A.D. 1503. Roll 237 (38).

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1516.

#### ANNO 7 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Ambrose, Bishop [4 April].*

Wodecok (HENRY), scrivener of court-letter and freeman of the City of London.—To the parson of the parish church of our Blessed Lady of Strethall, co. Essex, an annual quitrent issuing from tenements in Buklersbury in the parishes of S. John in Walbroke and S. Benet Shorehogg, for the maintenance of three masses, viz., one of the blessed five wounds of our Lord, the second of our Blessed Lady, and the third a *Requiem* for the good of his soul, the souls of John Gardyner, Johan, sometime wife of the same and daughter of the testator, Henry their son, Johan the second wife of the aforesaid John Gardyner and daughter of Olyver Daniell, and others. Dated 24 October, A.D. 1515. Roll 237 (43).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

Calley (WILLIAM), draper.—To the honourable "Company"<sup>1</sup> of Drapers in London and to their successors he leaves certain tenements in the parish of S. Margaret in Lothebury, so that the said craft and company keep an obit within the "Frere Augustynes"<sup>2</sup> of London for the good of his soul, the souls of

<sup>1</sup> The first occasion of the use of this term in place of Guild or Fraternity.

<sup>2</sup> Austin Friars.

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Mawde his wife and others, charged with certain charitable gifts in manner as directed. The said company and wardens of the craft to attend the said obit "and to take suche refeccion and Repast as the said Freres yerely ordeyn and prepaire for Norman" (*sic*); they are directed also to pay to the Wardens of the New College of Wynchestre<sup>1</sup> and to the two "boughsers" there five marks for an obit in the church of Alhalowen in Wynchestre or else in the Hospital of S. John in Wynchestre, and for blankets, sheets, &c., in the said hospital. The sum of thirty shillings out of the above five marks to be expended on three thousand "talwode"<sup>2</sup> to be given to sixty poor people in the city of Wynchestre and suburbs.<sup>3</sup> If the Master and Wardens of the Drapers of London fail in their duty the property is to go over to the Warden and Fellowship of the New College of Wynchestre aforesaid. To John Calley, otherwise called "Johannes w<sup>t</sup> the parson of Lothebury," he leaves all his lands and tenements in Highway,<sup>4</sup> Clavaunce,<sup>5</sup> Hederden,<sup>6</sup> Enam,<sup>7</sup> and Andevour,<sup>8</sup> also at Saint Crosses<sup>9</sup> near Wynchestre, as well as in Horset<sup>10</sup> and Walcomstowe<sup>11</sup> "medowe" and elsewhere, as soon as the said John shall come to the age of twenty-five years; remainder in trust for sale for pious and charitable uses, ten pounds of the proceeds being to Rochester bridge and a similar sum to Crowmer "pere," co. Norfolk. Dated 24 April, A.D. 1515. Roll 237 (50).

Calley (WILLIAM), draper.—To be buried in the church of the Augustinian Friars. Bequests for the reparation of the chantries of S. Martin's Orgar and the reparation of All Hallows Church in Wynchestre, to the four orders of friars in Wynchestre, and for trentals and masses of the five wounds of our Lord Jesus Christ;

<sup>1</sup> The college of S. Mary of Winchester, founded by William of Wykeham in connexion with the college of S. Mary Winton at Oxford, called "New College."

<sup>2</sup> Firewood cut into long billets, called *talwode* and *talshide* (Riley).

<sup>3</sup> It is probably to these gifts that Mr. Hare refers when he says: "William Cawley [or Crawley], as appears by an old book of the Drapers' Company, directed them to pay 2*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* annually to the Mayor of Winchester for the use

of the poor of that city. The payment is annually made by the Company on the receipt of the Mayor" (Appendix to Livery Companies Commissioners' Report, 1884, vol. iv. p. 130).

<sup>4</sup> Near Calne, co. Wilts.

<sup>5</sup> Clafford (?), near Andover.

<sup>6</sup> Hatherden, near Andover.

<sup>7</sup> Enham, near Andover.

<sup>8</sup> Andover, co. Hants.

<sup>9</sup> St. Cross.

<sup>10</sup> Horseheath, co. Cambridge.

<sup>11</sup> Walthamstow, co. Essex.

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also to John Calley, called "Johannes w<sup>t</sup> maister parson of Lothebury," to his brother Purdew, to Thomas, William, Arthur, and Cissely Purdew, children of the said brother, and others. The residue of his goods he leaves to Mawde his wife. Dated 27 April, A.D. 1512.

Another will or codicil containing pecuniary legacies to Julian Heblyn, her daughter and sister, Katherine Borowdale, Robert Hailes, and others. Dated 26 April, A.D. 1515. Roll 237 (51).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Howdan** (ISABELLA, late wife of THOMAS, "merchaunt taillour").—To the Master and Wardens of Merchaunt Tailloours of the Guild or Fraternity of S. John the Baptist of the City of London an annual rent (and penalty) issuing from certain tenements in Bradstrete, charged with the annual payment of seven pounds three shillings and fourpence to a secular priest that can "syng well, surely, and querely his *playne*<sup>1</sup> and *faburdon*,"<sup>2</sup> the residue being devoted to the observance of her late husband's obit in the church of S. Mary Abchurch, with tapers, bell-ringing, yearly distribution of coals, &c., in manner as directed. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of the bequest the property is to go over to the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary aforesaid. Dated 17 June, A.D. 1515. Roll 237 (53).

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## ANNO 8 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mildred, Virgin [20 Feb.].*

**Fynche** (JAMES), "sherman."—To be buried in the cloister of Whytyngdone College in the "royalle" of London. Bequests to Master Dr. Dowce, the Master, and Fellows of the said college, and to the various orders of friars in London. To Elizabeth his daughter, wife of Philip Caruge (Caruge?), he leaves his dwelling-house in part payment of her like portion that Margaret and

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 600.

<sup>2</sup> A corruption of *fauz-bourdon*, a simple kind of counterpoint to the church plain song, in other words a harmony to the ancient chant. Derived

from *bordone* or *bourdon*, signifying (1) a pilgrim's staff; (2) from similarity in form, the bass pipe or drone of the bagpipe, and thence simply a deep bass note.



Jane his daughters shall have, which portions to his said three daughters he intends to deliver to them in his lifetime. Dated 16 February, A.D. 1508. A.D.  
1516-17.  
Roll 238 (19).

**Fynch (JAMES)**, sherman.—To the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary the Virgin of Shermen of the City of London and their successors he leaves his leasehold tenements in the parish of S. John upon Walbroke, in trust for the use of the President, the cook, the “lawner,” and other officials of Whityngdons College. Dated 15 February, A.D. 1508. Roll 238 (20).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Botolph, Abbot [17 June].* A.D.  
1517.

**Calley (WILLIAM)**, draper.—To the Master and Wardens of the Guild or Fraternity of the Blessed Mary of the Drapers of London and brethren and sisters of the same he leaves divers tenements in the parishes of All Hallows de Honylane, S. Mary Wolchirche, and S. Margaret de Briggestrete, comprising a tenement called “le Gote on the hope” situate in the first-mentioned parish, charged, among other things, with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Mary Wolchirche for the souls of Richard Shore, late Alderman<sup>1</sup> and draper, Beatrice, wife of the same, and others, and also with the observance of an obit, &c., in manner as directed.....[*the rest of the will is wanting*]. Dated 15 April, A.D. 1513. Roll 238 (24).

#### ANNO 9 HENRY VIII.

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1517-18.

*Monday the Feast of S. Prisca, Virgin and Martyr [18 Jan.].*

**Alwyn (NICHOLAS)**, citizen and Alderman.<sup>2</sup> — His executors to hold certain messuages in the parishes of Our Lady of the Bowe and S. Mary Magdalen in Milkestrete in trust until Francis his son arrive at twenty-six years of age; and if the said Francis die before, then till Nicholas, son of Richard Alwyn, come to the same age. The said Francis to hold the same in tail; remainder to the said Nicholas in tail; remainders over. Similarly he leaves to his executors lands and tenements in Southwerk, co. Surrey, and in

<sup>1</sup> Of Farringdon Ward Without.

<sup>2</sup> Of Bassishaw Ward.

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Spaldyng, co. Linc.; remainder to Francis and Nicholas aforesaid in successive tail; remainder in trust for sale, the proceeds being devoted to the repair of the parish church of Spalding, providing marriage portions for poor maidens of Spalding and Cowbit, and repairing "noyous heigh waies" and bridges, &c. Also to the said Nicholas he leaves the reversion of a certain great new place in Milkestrete formerly belonging to Henry Cantlowe. Dated 22 February, A.D. 1504. Roll 238 (36).

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1517.

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

Capell (WILLIAM), Knt., Alderman and draper.—Devises the late dwelling-house of Jane, late Viscountess Lisle,<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Michael in Cornhill, of which he had become solely seised in trust for the purpose, to Master John Wardroper, parson, and the churchwardens of the said church of S. Michael and their successors, for pious uses for the souls of Edward Grey, late Viscount Lisle, Robert Drope,<sup>2</sup> late Mayor of London, and Master John Tregman, late husbands of the viscountess aforesaid, her father, mother, and others, with charitable gifts to the poor, &c., in manner as directed. The sum of thirteen shillings and fourpence out of the issues and profits is to be set aside yearly, according to the terms of the aforesaid lady's will, for the repair and gilding, whenever necessary, of the Sepulchre of our Lord within the aforesaid church, formerly erected by the before-mentioned Robert Drope, and also of the Crucifix with Mary and John and the other works which the said viscountess had caused to be made upon the "Rodeloft" in the said church. In case of default made by the rector and churchwardens in carrying out

<sup>1</sup> Concerning this lady Stow remarks that she was buried in the church of S. Michael, Cornhill, by the side of her first husband, in 1500; and that "she gave ninety pounds in money to the beautifying of that church, and her great message, with the appurtenance, which was by her executors, Mr. Caple and other, 1517, the 9th of Henry VIII., assured to John Wardroper, parson, T. Clearke, W. Dixson, and John Murdon, wardens of the said church, and their successors for ever, they to keep yearly for her an obite, or anniversary, to be spent on the poor,

and otherwise, in all three pounds, the rest of the profits to be employed in reparation of the church." The same authority—who, by the way, is not always right in his dates, as already mentioned (p. 592, note)—further tells us that the parishioners afterwards gave up the property as chantry land, "and wronged themselves," and that the tomb and monument of these benefactors to the church had been pulled down ('Survey,' Thoms's ed., pp. 74-75).

<sup>2</sup> See note *supra*, p. 592.

these and other terms of the devise, the property is to go over to the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity of our Blessed Lady of Drapers of the City of London under like conditions. Dated 18 December, A.D. 1506.

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Roll 238 (39).

ANNO 10 HENRY VIII.

A.D.  
1518.

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Calley** (WILLIAM), draper.—To Elizabeth, late wife of John Peke, esquire, he leaves a certain messuage and garden, of which he was solely seised in trust, called “Longestone,” situate in the parish of S. Botolph without Aldersgate, for life; remainder to the Master, Wardens, “Brethern” and “Sistern” of the Guild or Fraternity of our Blessed Lady of Drapers of London, charged with the maintenance of an obit in the church of S. Michael upon Cornhill in manner as directed. Dated 23 March, A.D. 1506.

Roll 238 (58).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

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**Rawson** (CRISTOFER), mercer and merchant of the Staple at Cales.—Leaves his wharf and houses called “the old Wolle Kay” in the parish of All Hallows, Barking, in trust for John, Thomas, and Richard his sons and the heirs male of their bodies; remainder in trust for Margaret and Katherine his daughters and the heirs male of their bodies; remainder in trust for John and Walter, sons of Nicholas Rawson his brother, in successive tail male; remainder in trust for Averey Rawson his brother; remainder over. The “owners in use” of the said houses are to keep an obit in the church of S. Mary Magdalen in Milkestrete for the good of his soul, the souls of Margaret and Agnes his wives, and others. A chantry priest to be also maintained in the aforesaid church and the church of All Hallows, Barking, respectively. His feoffees in trust of the above houses, &c., are to choose some substantial and discreet man, being a freeman of the City, to whom they are to give seisin of the same, in order that the person so seised according to the custom of the City may with counsel’s advice make a good and sure devise of the same to a good and

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sure body corporate<sup>1</sup> for the good and sure performance of the chantries, obits, &c., aforesaid; the man so making such devise to be prayed for continually by the aforesaid chantry priests. Dated 30 September, A.D. 1518. Roll 238 (68).

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#### ANNO 11 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

**Berell (WILLIAM)**, grocer.—To the Prior and Convent of the “Crosse Fryers” near the Tower certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Nicholas Shambles, of which he had become solely seised, in execution of the will of Robert Plommer, late of Sandon, co. Essex, gentleman. The devisees to hold the same subject to certain charges and conditions; remainders over, in case of default, to the Abbey and Convent of the Minoreesses without Algate and to the Wardens and Fellowship of the Craft or Mistery of Grocers of London in succession. Dated 30 January, A.D. 1512. Roll 238 (71).

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#### ANNO 12 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Belgrave (ROBERT)**, girdler.—To John Speight, Master of the Mistery of the Girdlers of the City of London, the wardens and commonalty of the same, a parcel of land in a certain alley called “Moundevyle Aley,” late “Middelton Aley,” in the parish of S. Michael in Bassyngeshawe, which he acquired from Henry, son of John Robiaunt. Dated 16 August, A.D. 1505.

Roll 238 (87).

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#### ANNO 13 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mildred, Virgin [20 Feb.].*

**Messynger (RICHARD)**, mercer.—To William Whyte, vicar of the church of S. Laurence in the Old Jewry, and successors he leaves an annual rent of twenty-six shillings and eightpence

<sup>1</sup> This was one of the methods employed for evading the provisions of the various statutes of Mortmain. (See Introd., Part I., pp. xxxvii-xxxviii.)

issuing from a tenement in Milkestret in the Ward of Crepulgate, for pious uses in manner as directed. Dated 25 May, A.D. 1519. A.D.  
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Roll 238 (106).

.....*Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

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**Tyrry** (CHRISTOPHER), goldsmith.—To John Peers, the parson, and churchwardens of the church of S. Vedast, he leaves certain tenements in the parish of S. Leonard next S. Martin le Grand, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in church of S. Vedast aforesaid for the souls of Jeffery Gates, William Palmer, and others. Dated 12 March, A.D. 1519. Roll 238 (113).

#### ANNO 14 HENRY VIII.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Woodcock** (GEORGE), gentleman.—To be buried in the parish church of Lamhith, co. Surrey. His lands and tenements in London and Southwerke to be sold by Jane his wife, who is to enjoy the residue of proceeds after discharge of debts. His capital messuage called "Brockholes" in the parish of Lamhith, together with his other lands and tenements in the parishes of Lamhith, Stretcham, and Camberwell, he also leaves to his wife. To Alice his daughter certain household stuff in a chamber at Brockholes called the "Maydens Chamber." To Henry his son stuff in the "Chapell Chamber," to Edmond his son stuff in the "Rose Chamber," to Edward his son stuff in the "Grene Chamber," and to George his son stuff in the chamber called the "Servaunttes Chamber" at Brockholes. Also to the said George he leaves "half a garnyshe of vessell."<sup>1</sup> Dated 12 December, 13 Henry VIII. [A.D. 1521]. Roll 239 (5).

<sup>1</sup> *I. e.*, half a set or service of pewter or other material. Harrison, in his description of England (*circa* 1580), speaking of the great skill to which English pewterers had attained, says:—"Such furniture of household of this mettall, as we commonlie call by the name of *vessell*, is sold usuallie by the

*garnish*, which dooth conteine twelve platters, twelve dishes, twelve saucers, and those are either of silver fashion, or else with brode or narrow brims" (Holinshed, 'Chron.,' ed. 1807, i. 399). Cf. the bequest of "half a dozen pewtervessell" in the will of Paul Salesbury (*supra*, p. 347).

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## ANNO 16 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next after Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

**Haddon** (SIR RICHARD), Knt., Alderman<sup>1</sup> and mercer.—To Katherine his wife a messuage, garden, and three tenements in Syvedonlane in the City of London for life, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Olave next the Tower and observance of an obit, &c., in manner as directed. Bequests to the Mayor, Sheriffs, Swordbearer, the Warden of the Mistery of Mercers, and others attending his obit. Also to the wardens and commonalty of the aforesaid mistery he leaves two hundred pounds sterling and the reversion of the above messuage, garden, and tenements, so that they bind themselves to maintain a chantry, observe his obit, &c., as directed, otherwise the whole of the property is to go over to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Grocers of the City of London under like conditions. Dated 1 August, A.D. 1516. Roll 239 (25).

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1525.

## ANNO 17 HENRY VIII.

*Monday the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Fenrother** (ROBERT), Alderman,<sup>2</sup> citizen and goldsmith.—To Julian his wife all his manors, lands, and tenements in the county of Middlesex, viz., the manor of Nottying Barners,<sup>3</sup> his lands and tenements within Westborne in the parish of Padyngton and within the parish of Chelsey, to hold the same for life; remainder to Herry White, gentleman, and Awdry his wife, the testator's daughter, in tail; remainder over. Also to his said wife the manor of Maundys near Romford in the parish of Hornchurch, co. Essex, for life; remainder to Nicholas Tychebourne, gentleman, and Julyan his wife, another daughter of the testator, in tail; remainder over. Also to his aforesaid wife his lands and tenements in Theydon Boys and Eppyng, co. Essex, for life; remainder to

<sup>1</sup> Of Bridge Ward.

<sup>2</sup> Of Aldersgate Ward.

<sup>3</sup> Now Notting Hill, a manor variously spelt "Notingbarons," "Nutting Barns," "Knotting-barns," &c., said to have

been identical with the manor of Kensington, situate in the parish of Paddington, at one time the property of the De Veres, Earls of Oxford (Robins's 'Paddington, Past and Present,' p. 30).

Margaret his daughter in tail. Also to his wife his lands and tenements in Chesthunt, co. Herts, for life; remainder to his aforesaid daughters. To the aforesaid Herry White and Awdry he further leaves lands and tenements in the parishes of Tillyng-ham and Denge,<sup>1</sup> co. Essex. To the aforesaid Nicholas Tychebourne and Julyan lands and tenements at Squyrellys called "the hethcok," co. Essex, and a messuage in the parish of Horncherche. Also to Margaret his daughter his lands and tenements in the parish of Kyngeston, co. Surrey, so long as his wife is alive; remainder to William Fenrother for life; remainders over. Also to his aforesaid wife a messuage in Silverstrete, London. Dated 17 March, 15 Henry VIII. [A.D. 1523-4].

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Roll 239 (37).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Ambrose, Bishop [4 April].*

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**Aythropp** (WILLIAM), draper.—To the Master and Wardens, Brethren and Sisters of the Guild or Fraternity of the Blessed Mary of the Drapers of London and their successors he leaves certain messuages in Cornhill in the parish of S. Michael to their own use. Dated 5 March, A.D. 1515. Roll 239 (42).

#### ANNO 18 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Pancras [12 May].*

**Jurdayn** (WILLIAM), "pasteler."—To Master William Mors, the rector, and churchwardens of the church of S. Benedict near Graciousstreate, he leaves a messuage situate within the parish, for the maintenance of the works, ornaments, &c., of the said parish church.<sup>2</sup> Dated 10 December, A.D. 1510. Roll 239 (47).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Nicholas, Bishop [6 Dec.].*

**White** (WILLIAM), draper, Alderman<sup>3</sup> and freeman of the City of London.—To be buried in the chapel of SS. Katherine and Anne in the church of S. Swythunes in Candelwikstrete. Bequests

<sup>1</sup> Dengeie or Dengey.

<sup>2</sup> Mr. Hare reported to the Charity Commissioners in 1860 that the property here devised was then known as Nos. 1 and 2, Fenchurch Street, and that the

rent was devoted to church expenses. The parish charities come within the purview of the City of London Parochial Charities Act, 1883.

<sup>3</sup> Of Coleman Street Ward.

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to the said church and its curate, among which is a *sencer* of silver parcel gilt of the value of one hundred shillings; also for the maintenance of a chantry therein for the good of his soul, the souls of William and Cecilley his father and mother, Margaret his late wife, and others. To the parish church of Dykhull,<sup>1</sup> in Yorkshire, in which parish he was born, he leaves a *mustrauunce*<sup>2</sup> of silver parcel gilt to serve in place of one that had been stolen. To the Master, Wardens, Brethren and Sisters of the Guild or Fraternity of Our Lady of his Craft and Fellowship of Drapers in the City of London a standing cup of silver and gilt with a cover and a George upon the cover, weighing by the weight of Troy thirty-eight and a half ounces, which is of the value of four shillings an ounce. Bequests to various religious bodies and individuals for their prayers. The sum of twelve pounds sterling to be expended on charcoal, "every yer a certeyn,"<sup>3</sup> during twenty years next ensuing, for the use of poor householders in the parish of S. Swythunes aforesaid and its vicinity. To Robert his son seven hundred marks in ready money and plate, a feather bed, a *bostir* stuffed with feathers and down, a pair of good sheets, a coverlet with "straunce beestes" made of camel's hair, his *prymmour* with two clasps of silver, &c. To Dame Annes his wife he leaves, among other things, all his household as it is at his place at Mortelake, except his plate. His obit to be kept in the church of S. Swythunes aforesaid, with divers gifts of money to persons attending the same in manner as directed. Mention made of Richard his brother, vicar of Harworth; Nicholas White, his brother's son; and John White of Tykhyll, brother to the said Nicholas. Dated 4 September, A.D. 1500. Roll 239 (58).

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# ANNO 19 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next after F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Michell** (THOMAS), "iremonger."—To the Master and Keepers

<sup>1</sup> Tickhill, in the West Riding.

<sup>2</sup> *Monstrance* or *remonstrance*, a vessel in which the blessed Sacrament is exposed to the people. Before the fourteenth century the Host was not exposed, but reserved in a box or *pyx*. At the present day the box takes the form of a circle of crystal, surrounded

by rays of gold and silver, in which it is enclosed; this form, however, is an innovation of the sixteenth or seventeenth century.

<sup>3</sup> A fixed quantity of coal or fixed sum of money. A "certeyn" or "serteyn" sometimes means also a religious service.



or Wardens of the Craft or Mistery of "Iremongers" of the City of London a tenement called "the Ship" in the parish of S. Mildred in the Poultry and a sum of one hundred and forty pounds sterling, so that they maintain a chantry in the church of S. Oluf the King in the Old Jewry for the good of his soul, the souls of William and Agnes his father and mother, Anne, Margaret, and Margery his late wives, and others, in manner as directed. Dated 3 April, A.D. 1527. Roll 240 (2).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Boniface, Bishop [5 June].*

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**Wylford (JAMES)**, "merchaunt talour."—To John his second son he leaves his great messuage wherein he dwelt. To Thomas his eldest son his manors, lands, and tenements in the parish and fields of Crambroke, Stapulhurst, and Fretenden, co. Kent, in tail male; remainders to the aforesaid John, and to William, Robert, Nicholas, and Edmond his other sons, in successive tail male; remainder to William his brother. To Katherine his daughter an annuity of ten pounds for a term of twenty years. Also to Robert his son his lands and tenements in Mocheham, except two tenements lately built by John and William his sons. Also to William his son his lands and tenements at Brodgate within the city of Excetour; and to Nicholas his son his tenements in Towerstrete, London. To Mighell Inglisshe his son-in-law he leaves a plot of land, provided he build thereon within a certain time "a tenement or a lodgyng for the Recreacioun of hym, his wiffe and chyldern." Dated 26 September, 16 Henry VIII. [A.D. 1524].

Roll 240 (6).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Hugo, Bishop [17 Nov.].*

**Goldysburgh (THOMAS)**, "pulter."—To Alice his wife a life interest in his lands and tenements in the parish of All Hallows in Lomberdstreate held in trust; remainder to Richard his son for life; remainders to Alice Mathewson, Katherine Martin, and Margaret Goldysburgh, his daughters. Dated 29 July, A.D. 1516.

Roll 240 (10).

[*Date of Session of Court omitted.*]

**Etell (THOMAS)**, "taylor."—To Edmund Trayforth of Trayford,

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co. Lancaster, esquire, an annual rent of five marks, and penalty of twenty shillings with distress and appurtenance of the same, issuing from lands and tenements belonging to the Master and Wardens of the Craft or Mistery of the Vintners of London, in trust for the maintenance of a secular priest who can sing *prycke* song and *playn* song, or at the least *playn* song, to say mass in the parish church of Willmeslowe, co. Chester, for the souls of Master Henry Trayforth, sometime parson of the said church, Edmund Trayforth, Knt., and Dame Margaret, wife of the same, James Spenser, sometime Mayor of London, and others, in manner as directed. The priest to be "no viciouse persone of lyevyng, diser, carder, bowler, cokkefyghter, noder commyne ale goer," on pain of expulsion, "eny maner bull or dispensacioun or licence of the courte of Rome, or of eny Legate of the see apostolique, had or to be had or obteyned to the contrary notwithstanding." Dated 3 June, A.D. 1527. Roll 240 (17).

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## ANNO 21 HENRY VIII.

*Monday the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

Hyll (HENRY), "haberdassher."—To the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's an annual rent of twenty marks, and penalty of one hundred shillings with distress, issuing out of lands and tenements belonging to the Master and Wardens and Commonalty of the Merchaunt Taillours of the Fraternity or Guild of S. John Baptist in the City of London, in trust for the maintenance of a chantry in the chapel in S. Paul's Cathedral Church where the reverend father in God, Richard Fitz James, Bishop of London,<sup>1</sup> purposes to be buried, together with observance of obit, &c., in manner as directed. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of the legacy the said annual rent, &c., is to go over to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London under like conditions. Dated 16 June, A.D. 1521. Roll 240 (28).

Hyll (HENRY), haberdasher.—Another will, whereby he leaves to the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's an annual rent of twenty shillings, and penalty of ten shillings with distress, issuing from tenements

<sup>1</sup> Ob. 15 January, A.D. 1521-2.

belonging to the Master and Wardens of the Marchaunt Tailleurs of the Guild or Fraternity of S. John Baptist in the City of London; the same to be divided and distributed by the Chamberlain or some other officer of the cathedral in manner as directed. Dated 15 June, A.D. 1523. Roll 240 (29).

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*Monday the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

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**Harselar (JOHN)**, haberdasher.—To the Master and Wardens of the Guild or Fraternity of S. Katherine of the Craft of "Haberdasshers" in the City of London fifteen messuages in the parishes of S. Swithun and S. Mary Wolnothe in fee. Dated 16 December, A.D. 1525. Roll 240 (41).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas [11 June].*

**Billesdon (JOHN)**, "grocer."—To the Wardens of the Commonalty of the Mistery of the Grocery of London he leaves certain messuages, comprising "the Weyhouse,"<sup>1</sup> in Cornhill in the parish of S. Michael, held by him in trust, so that the said wardens maintain two chantries, in the chapel erected by Sir Thomas Lovell on the south side of the priory church of Halywell without Bysshoppisgate, for the souls of the said Sir Thomas when dead, Isabell, late wife of the same, and others, with observance of an obit, &c., in manner as directed. The sum of three hundred pounds he declares to have handed over, on behalf of the said Sir Thomas Lovell, to the wardens aforesaid, for repairing the above messuages. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of the devise the property is to go over to the Master and Wardens of the Marchaunte Tailleurs of the Fraternity or Guild of S. John

<sup>1</sup> Where merchandise was weighed at the King's Beam. As to the connexion which the Grocers' Guild had with the business of weighing goods brought into the City, see note *supra*, p. 145. This weigh house was built by the Sir Thomas Lovell mentioned in the testator's will, and he gave it to the Grocers of London, of whose fraternity he was a member (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 73). The exclusive right of weighing at the Great Beam was at the

date of this will (and for long after) claimed both by the municipal authorities and by the Wardens of the Grocers. Both parties applied to Cardinal Wolsey for assistance, the office having in the mean time been disposed of by letters patent to Sir William Sidney, who eventually had to hold it under the Corporation at an annual rent (City Records, Rep. 6, fol. 15; Rep. 7, fol. 223 b; Rep. 8, fol. 167, 202 b, 216).

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Baptist of London under like conditions, with further remainder to the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London. Desires that his will be enrolled of record before the Mayor at the Guildhall, there to remain for ever. The will made tripartite: one part to remain with the Wardens of the Commonalty of Grocers, another with the Prioress of Haliwell, and the third with Sir Thomas Lovell and his heirs. Dated 18 December, A.D. 1522. Roll 240 (54).

**Drayton (JOHN)**, grocer.—To the Wardens and Fellowship of the Mistery of Grocers of the City of London he leaves certain lands and tenements, of which he had become solely seised in trust, in the parishes of S. Dunstan in the East and S. Martin, Ludgate, so that the said wardens, &c., maintain a chantry in the church of S. Peter in Cornehull in accordance with the will of Henry Adye, late grocer, for the souls of the said Henry, Julyan and Margaret, wives of the same, and others, in manner as directed. The said wardens to pay yearly the sum of forty shillings, out of the issues and profits of the tenements aforesaid, for the hire of a barge to convey them to Westminster, “as the maner and Custome ys and hath been used, to geve their attendaunce fyfste upon the Sheryffes and eftsones upon the Mayre at their severall goynges to Westminster whan they take their othes.” Dated 26 June, A.D. 1523. Roll 240 (55).

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## ANNO 25 HENRY VIII.

*Monday the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Exmewe (THOMAS)**, Knight and Alderman.<sup>1</sup> — To John Hardy, Alderman<sup>2</sup> of London, and Master of the Guild or Fraternity of S. Katherine of the Craft of Haberdashers of the City of London, and wardens of the same, a certain tenement of which he had become solely seised in Hogenlane in the parish of S. Michael in Wood Street, charged with the observance of an obit for the souls of John Mathewe, late Yeoman of the Chamber to King Henry VII., citizen and baker of London, Katherine, wife of the same, and others, with distribution of sums of money, &c.,

<sup>1</sup> Of Cripplegate Ward.| <sup>2</sup> Of Aldersgate Ward.

in manner as directed. In case of default the property is to go over to the Master and Wardens of the Craft and Fellowship of Whytte Bakers of London under like conditions, with further remainder to the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael aforesaid. Dated 17 December, A.D. 1528.

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Roll 241 (9).

**Lynne (STEPHEN)**, haberdasher.—To the Master and Wardens of the Guild or Fraternity of S. Katherine of the Craft of Haberdashers in the City of London he leaves certain tenements in the parishes of S. Augustine and S. Vedast in fee, which tenements he had formerly acquired from Henry Whyte, one of the Under-Sheriffs of the City, and Etheldreda, wife of the same, daughter of Robert Fenrother, late Alderman. Dated 3 August, A.D. 1528.

Roll 241 (10).

**Colyns (ROBERT)**, haberdasher.—To Robert Aldernes, Master of the Fraternity or Guild of S. Katherine of the Haberdashers of London, the wardens and brethren and sisters of the same, certain messuages in Thamystrete in the parish of S. Benedict at Powles-wharffe, which he acquired from Thomas Thornton, surgeon, and Aveline, wife of the same, to the use and maintenance of the said fraternity, so that they pray for his soul. Dated 31 October, A.D. 1521.

Roll 241 (11).

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**Bully (WILLIAM)**, saddler.—To the Wardens of the Craft or Mistery of "Sadlers" in the City of London and commonalty of the same he leaves sixteen messuages, of which he had become solely seised, situate in the parishes of S. Alban and S. Michael in Wood Street, to hold the same to the use of the said wardens and commonalty in fee. Dated 20 November, A.D. 1532.

Roll 241 (13).

## ANNO 26 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Dunstan, Bishop [19 May].*

**Brokett (ROBERT)**, baker.—To the Dean and Chapter of S. Paul's an annual rent, with penalty and distress, charged on all tenements belonging to the Wardens and Commonalty of the

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Craft or Mistery of Saddlers in the City of London, for the maintenance of two chantry priests to serve in the long chapel at the north end of the cathedral in manner as directed for the soul of Master John Whethers (or Wythers), clerk, canon "Residentiary Stagyary" of the same cathedral, with whose advice and assent he thus makes his will, the souls of John and Agnes, parents of the same, and others. The said chantry priests to be at bed and board within Peter College, otherwise called "prestes house,"<sup>1</sup> in Paul's churchyard, in two chambers there provided for them by the said Master John Wythers. The obit of the said Master John to be duly observed by the Dean and Chapter aforesaid. Dated the last day of February, A.D. 1532. Roll 241 (18).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

Prud (WILLIAM), draper.—To the Master, Wardens, Brethren and "System" of the Guild or Fraternity of our Blessed Lady of Drapers within the City of London he leaves certain messuages in the parish of S. Stephen in Colmanstrete, charged, among other things, with the distribution of four pounds sterling at four terms of the year, that is to say, forty shillings to poor householders of the Company or Mistery of Drapers, and forty shillings to poor householders of Candelwykestret Ward, for a term of eighteen years; and also with the observance of an obit or anniversary in the church of the College of Corpus Christi, commonly called the College of S. Laurence Pulteney, otherwise the parish church of S. Laurence Pulteney, for the souls of Hugh Umpton, late draper, and others, with distribution of coals to poor parishioners of S. Laurence Pulteney and S. Mary Abchurch, in manner as directed. In case of default the whole of the property is to go over to the master and chaplains of the aforesaid college under like conditions. Dated 2 December, A.D. 1533. Roll 241 (26).

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*Monday next before F. of SS. Tiburcius and Valerian [14 April].*

Feldyng (RICHARD), mercer.—Pursuant to the terms of the will of William Browne,<sup>2</sup> late Alderman, dated 27 May, A.D. 1514,

<sup>1</sup> The house or houses in Pardon churchyard, situate at the north of the cathedral, where dwelt the Minor Canons, whose college was called after S. Peter (Dugdale, p. 390).  
<sup>2</sup> Enrolled *infra*, Roll 241 (33).

he leaves to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Craft or Mistery of Mercers of London certain tenements and wharf called "Corbettes Kay," situate in Thamystrete in the parish of S. Dunstan in the East, which he acquired from Sir John Shaa, for the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Mary Magdalen in Milkstrete for the souls of William Browne aforesaid, Katherine and Alice, wives of the same, and others, and also for the observance of an obit, &c., in manner as directed. In case of default the property is to be "admortized," and made sure to the Chamberlain of the City of London and successors, to the common use of the City for ever. Dated 26 May, A.D. 1519. Roll 241 (29).

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**Draper<sup>1</sup>** (THOMAS), mercer.—To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Mercers of the City of London two messuages in the parishes of S. Olave in the Old Jewry and S. Stephen in Colmanstrete, to the intent that they provide a sufficient "parson" or "parsones" for the time being to dwell therein, subject to certain tithes, charges, and assessments according to the custom of the City. Remainder in case of default to the Prior and Brethren of the Hospital of S. Thomas of Acon on similar terms. Dated 2 March, A.D. 1520. Roll 241 (30).

**Laykyn** (RICHARD), mercer.—To be buried according to directions contained in his testament touching his movable goods made or to be made. To his son-in-law William, son of William Browne, late Alderman,<sup>2</sup> he leaves, in satisfaction of a sum of money due to the said William on his marriage with Elizabeth the testator's daughter, all his lands and tenements in the city of Canterbury and the sum of one hundred marks. To Alice his wife his lands and tenements in the City of London, in Chelsehyth, co. Middlesex, and Dartforde, co. Kent, for life; remainders to the aforesaid William and Elizabeth, and to Margaret, another daughter of the testator, charged with the observance of his obit in the church where he shall be buried; further remainder to the Master, Wardens, and Fellowship of the

<sup>1</sup> In the margin "The testament of my lady Bradbury declared by Thomas Draper." The name of Dame Jane Bradbury only occurs once in the will, viz.,

as one to whom a copy of the testator's testament tripartite is to be given.

<sup>2</sup> Of Cordwainer Ward.

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Craft or Mistery of Mercers of the City of London, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the church of S. Thomas the Martyr called "Acon," in the Mercers' Chapel there, and also with the observance of his obit, &c., in manner as directed. Dated 4 September, A.D. 1509. Roll 241 (31).

Colet<sup>1</sup> (JOHN), Dean of S. Paul's, citizen and mercer of London, freeman of the City, son and heir of Henry Colet, late Knight and Alderman.<sup>2</sup> — To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of the Mercery of the City of London certain lands and tenements in Soperlane in the parishes of S. Antony and S. Pancras, and also in the parish of S. Magnus the Martyr. Also to the said wardens and commonalty he leaves his grammar school, chapel, and house for the master and other officers on the east side of S. Paul's churchyard; the grammar house or messuage lately called "Poules Scole," and four shops under the same, near Seint Austen's Gate; two tenements in *le Olde Chawunge*, and six tenements in the parish of S. George in Podynglane near Estchepe, near a tenement belonging to the Mistery of Salters called "le Scaldyng hous," and formerly called "Fanners Hall," to hold the same in trust for the continuance of the grammar school and for the uses contained in certain indentures made between the said wardens and commonalty and the testator. Dated 10 June, A.D. 1514. Roll 241 (32).

Browne<sup>3</sup> (WILLIAM), Alderman, and "now" Mayor of the City of London.—His executors to expend the sum of two hundred and thirty-eight pounds (the residue of the goods and chattels lately belonging to Sir John Browne, Knt., and Dame Anne, wife of the same, the testator's father and mother, and remaining in his hands)

<sup>1</sup> This will is not printed in Knight's 'Life of Colet.' Another will of the testator, however, touching his movable goods, and dated 22 August, A.D. 1519, is there printed (pp. 464-7), the original (copy?) of which is preserved among the archives of S. Paul's Cathedral (Hist. MSS. Com., Ninth Report, Appendix, p. 48 b).

<sup>2</sup> Of the Wards of Farringdon Without, Castle Baynard, and Cornhill.

<sup>3</sup> Alderman of Cordwainer Ward; Sheriff, 1504; Mayor, 1513-14. *Ob.* 3 June, 1514, during his year of office. Another will of the testator, dated 29 May, A.D. 1513, is at Somerset House, an abstract of which will be found printed, together with much genealogical information respecting the testator's family, in *Notes and Queries* (Seventh Series, 24 December, 1887, and 25 February, 1888).



upon the purchase of such lands and tenements within the City as, together with those already belonging to him in the parishes of S. Dunstan and S. Mary Magdalen in Mylkestrete and in Woodstrete, shall be of the clear yearly value of forty pounds; a sufficient estate in the said lands and tenements is then to be made to some freeman of the City for the purpose of being devised to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Craft or Mistery of Mercers. The same to be held charged with the maintenance of chantries in the churches of S. Mary Magdalen aforesaid and S. Thomas de Acon for the good of his soul, the souls of Alice his wife, Katherine his late wife, his father, mother, and others; also with the observance of obit, &c., in manner as directed. Dated 27 May, A.D. 1514. Roll 241 (33).

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1535.

## ANNO 27 HENRY VIII.

A.D.  
1535-6.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

Butler (SIR WILLIAM), Knt., Alderman<sup>1</sup> of the City of London.—To the Wardens or Keepers of the Commonalty of the Mistery of Grocers of London divers tenements, comprising his capital messuage called “the Baskett” and three shops in the parish of S. Dunstan in the East, two messuages, five cottages, and garden and shed in the parish of S. Michael Bassieshawe, together with a quitrent of twelve shillings. To hold the same charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the parish church of S. James at Bidenham, co. Bedford, for the good of his soul, the souls of Dame Elizabeth and Elizabeth, late his wives, Richard and Grace his father and mother, and others; with the distribution of sums of money among the poor of the parish of Bidenham aforesaid, the observance of his obit in the church of S. Thomas de Acon, and distribution of twelve shillings in charcoal among the parishioners of S. Mildred in the Poultry,<sup>2</sup> &c., in manner as directed. Dated 6 August, A.D. 1529. Roll 241 (35).

Smyth (ISABEL, relict of JOHN, stockfishmonger), freewoman

<sup>1</sup> Of Cheap Ward.

<sup>2</sup> Mr. Hare reported to the Charity Commission in 1860 to the effect that the Grocers' Company continue to pay the sum of twelve shillings a year,

which was given away with other small charities by the churchwardens to poor persons belonging to the parish, but rarely living in it.

**A.D.**  
**1535-6.** of the City of London.—To the Master and Brethren of the Fraternity of “Saynte Cherytie and Saynte John the evangelyst of pape”<sup>1</sup> within the said City she leaves a messuage called “the panyer on the hoope,” situate in an alley called “panyer Aley” in Paternoster Row in the parish of S. Michael at Querne, so that the said master, &c., pray for her soul. Dated 18 February, A.D. 1527. Roll 241 (36).

**ANNO 28 HENRY VIII.**

**A.D.**  
**1536.**

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Lunde (ROBERT)**, dyer.—To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Craft or Mistery of Dyers of the City of London certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Peter the Less in Thames Street near Powleswharfe, charged with an annuity of six pounds and four yards of broadcloth of the suit or livery of the craft to Sir John Nycolson, clerk, and also with the observance of the obit of the said Sir John after his decease in manner as directed. Dated 20 November, A.D. 1516. Roll 241 (48).

**ANNO 29 HENRY VIII.**

**A.D.**  
**1537-8.**

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Speight (THOMAS)**, “merchaunt Taillour.”—To the Master and Wardens, Brethren and Sisters of the Fraternity or Guild of S. John Baptist of the “merchaunt Taillours” of London he leaves thirty-six messuages, sixty “solers,” sixty-eight “celers,” two gardens, a wharf and a crane situate in the parish of S. Martin in the Vintry, to have and to hold to their own proper use, profit, and behoof. Dated 10 December, A.D. 1527. Roll 242 (9).

**Benett (JOHN)**, “merchaunt Taillour.”—To the Master and

<sup>1</sup> “Then come you to the Papey, a proper house, wherein sometime was kept a fraternity or brotherhood of St. Charity and St. John Evangelist called the Papey for poor impotent priests (for in some language priests are called papes), founded in the year 1430.....for a master, two wardens, &c., chaplains, chantry priests, conducts, and other

brethren and sisters that should be admitted into the church of S. Augustine Papey in the wall” (Stow’s ‘Survey,’ Thoms’s edition, p. 55). The brotherhood was suppressed in the reign of Edward VI. The church of St. Augustine Papey was afterwards annexed to that of All Hallows, London Wall.

Keepers or Wardens of the Fraternity or Guild of S. John Baptist of Merchaunt Tailours of the City of London divers tenements in the parishes of All Hallows the More in Thames Street near the lane called "Wolsy Lane," S. Stephen in Colmanstrete, and S. Michael in Bassieshaw, charged with the maintenance of a chantry in the chapel of S. Francis in the church of the Grey Friars for the souls of Sir Stephen Jenyns, Knt., Dame "Margre," Joane, and Margaret his wives, and others; also with observance of obit, &c., in manner as directed. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of the devise the whole of the property is to go over to the Prior and Convent of Elsyngspittell under like conditions. Dated 24 January, A.D. 1527. Roll 242 (10).

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1537-8.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Michael [29 Sept.].*

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1537.

**Hombull or Humble (STEPHEN).**—To Alice his wife his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Bartholomew the Little for life; remainder to Richard, son of William his brother, in tail male, subject to certain charges, comprising the distribution of thirty shillings yearly in coal among the poor of the above parish; eight shillings to the poor of the Craft of Broderers, and thirteen shillings to poor householders who have been apprenticed to freemen of the said craft;<sup>1</sup> remainder to Stephen, another son of the aforesaid William, under similar conditions; remainder to the Wardens and Fellowship of the Craft of Broderers<sup>2</sup> and the Brotherhood of the Holy Ghost of the City of London; further remainder in case of default, or in case the wardens, &c., aforesaid change their name of Broderers or Brotherhood of the Holy Ghost, to the parson and churchwardens of the parish church of S. Bartholomew aforesaid. No date.<sup>3</sup>

Roll 242 (11).

<sup>1</sup> The sum of 1*l.* 10*s.* is still paid by the Broderers' Company to the churchwardens of S. Bartholomew the Less, and the sum of 1*l.* 1*s.* to the poor of the Company. The property on which the charge was made was sold by the Company in 1764 to the Governor and Company of the Bank of England (Appendix to Commissioners' Report on Livery Comp., 1884, vol. iii. p. 200).

<sup>2</sup> The "Broderers" or "Browderers" (Embroiderers) were not incorporated by

charter till 1561. The earliest ordinances for governing the craft in the City, as far as can be ascertained, were approved by the Mayor and Aldermen on the Feast of S. Matthew, Apostle [21 Sept.], 6 Henry VI. [A.D. 1427], and are set out in full in the City Records (Letter-Book K, fol. 89 b).

<sup>3</sup> The date of the will as given in the Company's Return to the Commission of 1880 is 27 November, A.D. 1535.

A.D.  
1538.*Monday next before the Feast of S. Ambrose, Bishop [4 April].*

**Chamberleyn** (JOHANNA), widow, citizen and brewer and free-woman of the City of London.—To Thomas Broke her brother her lands and tenements in the parish of S. Michael in Bassingeshawe for life, subject to certain charges for observance of obit for the good of her soul, the souls of John Chamberleyn, brewer, late her husband, and others, in the church of S. Alphege, and with the distribution of ten shillings yearly in coals among the poor, &c., in manner as directed;<sup>1</sup> remainder to John Broke her cousin of the parish of Brawghing, co. Herts, he being son of John Broke her eldest brother, charged, among other things, with the payment by him to Johanna his daughter, servant to the testatrix, of the sum of twenty pounds for his said daughter's marriage; remainder over in case of default to the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Alphege aforesaid, charged with the distribution of twenty shillings yearly in coals among the poor of the parish. Dated 9 September, A.D. 1504.

Roll 242 (19).

A.D.  
1538-9.

## ANNO 30 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next after the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

**A Woode** (JOHN), stockfishmonger.—To Alice his wife the reversion of certain leasehold messuages in the parish of S. Martin Orgar; remainder to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Stockfishmongers of the City of London, charged with the observance of an obit in the church of S. Michael in Crookedlane in manner as directed. In case of default the property to go over to the parson of the church of S. Michael aforesaid and his successors to the use of the said church. Dated 2 December, A.D. 1524.

Roll 242 (28).

<sup>1</sup> According to Mr. Hare's Report on the charities of the parish of S. Alphege in 1860, a charity was founded in 1504 by *Jane* Chamberlain, and endowed with a rent-charge of 13s. 4d. for the poor in faggots, which sum, he says, was paid by the Paper Stainers' Company. His account thus differs in some respects from the terms of this will. He goes on to say that a distribution of coal takes place annually on

Christmas Eve, at a cost of nearly 9l., including the above rent-charge, and that the number of recipients exceeded one hundred (Appendix to Report City Parochial Charities Com., 1880, vol. iii. p. 19). The charities of the parish of S. Alphege come within the purview of the London Parochial Charities Act, 1883, by virtue of which a scheme has been drawn up and approved.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

A.D.  
1538-9.

**Englyssh (SIMON)**, skinner.—To Master John Taylour, D.D., parson of the church of S. Peter upon Cornhill, and churchwardens of the same and their successors, two messuages in the parish of S. Andrew Hubbard absolutely. Dated 5 January, A.D. 1538.

Roll 242 (29).

# ANNO 31 HENRY VIII.

A.D.  
1539.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Botolph, Abbot [17 June].*

**Wydollson (WILLIAM)**, mercer.—To be buried in the chapel he built in the churchyard of "Myhelham," co. Surrey, where Johane his late wife lies buried. Directions for keeping his obit. "The churchemen" to have the rule of his lands at Peteryschfeld and Mapull Dorham,<sup>2</sup> co. Southampton, and to pay certain charges, giving an account of the same to Sir John Mordaunt. To Elizabeth his wife all his goods and chattels, and a house in the parish of S. Andrew in Cornhill for life; remainder to the Worshipful Fellowship of the Mercers of the City of London for the purpose of providing a breakfast for such of the livery of the Mercers as attend the Mayor when he goes to take the oath and yet dine not at the Guildhall.<sup>3</sup> To Robert Donam his cousin twenty shillings and a chased piece of silver. Directions for his funeral: his body to be carried from his house on a horse litter to the church of S. George in Southwark, accompanied by Augustinian Friars; torches used at his funeral to be carried in the horse litter and distributed among the churches of Newyngton, Totyng,<sup>4</sup> Codyngton, Hewell,<sup>5</sup> Epesham,<sup>6</sup> Ashestede, Letherhed, Mykelham, and other places without the City of London, as also to certain churches within the same. The residue of the rents of the lands in Peteresfelde and Mapull Durham to be distributed

<sup>1</sup> Mickleham.

<sup>2</sup> Maple Durham, near Petersfield.

<sup>3</sup> Stow gives a list of the companies that attended the Mayor's feast at the Guildhall a few years prior to the date of the enrolment of the testator's will, viz., 23 Henry VIII., together with the number of messes awarded to each (the Wardens of the Mercers and seven-

teen others attending were allowed five messes). This information, he quaintly informs his readers, was not obtained as an eye-witness, he having never been himself a "feast-follower" ('Survey,' Thoms's edition, p. 197).

<sup>4</sup> Tooting.

<sup>5</sup> Ewell.

<sup>6</sup> Epsom.

**A.D.** among the poor of Mykylham, Dorkyng, and Letherhed. Dated  
**1539.** 10 February, A.D. 1524. Roll 243 (8).

**A.D.** *Monday next after Feast of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*  
**1539-40.**

**Mylard** (RICHARD), saddler.—To the four Wardens of the Craft or Mistery of “Sadelers” of London and commonalty of the same certain messuages in the parish of All Hallows, London Wall, of which he had become seised by gift of John Cokkes, feoffee in trust for John Wythers, Canon Residentiary Stagiary of S. Paul’s; to hold the same to the said wardens and commonalty to their own proper use. Dated 6 August, A.D. 1533. Roll 243 (24).

**A.D.** *Monday next before the Feast of S. George, Martyr [23 April].*  
**1540.**

**Claymond** (OLYVER), clothworker.<sup>1</sup> — To Anne his wife certain messuages in the parishes of S. Christopher “next the Stokkes of London,” S. Olave near the Tower, and S. Nicholas Acon for life; remainder to the Wardens of the “Mystery of Clothworkers” in the City of London, charged with the payment of an annuity to Thomasyn his daughter and with providing the Paschal light and Sepulchre light at Easter within the church of All Hallows Staining, as well as with finding yearly four staff torches and the garnishing of twenty-four other torches within the said church to accompany reverently the Sacrament upon Corpus Christi Day, &c. Dated the last day of February, 31 Henry VIII. [A.D. 1539-40]. Roll 243 (26).

**A.D.**  
**1541-2.**

#### ANNO 33 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

**Asshe** (WILLIAM), pewterer.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Michael in Cornhill. To Nicholas Woodehous, pewterer, certain tenements in S. Laurence Lane in the Old Jewry, and in Byrchen Lane in the parish of S. Michael in Cornhill, which formerly belonged to Richard Grene, “mynstrell of

<sup>1</sup> It was not till 18 January, 19 Henry VIII. [A.D. 1527-8], that the guilds of the Fullers and of the Shearmen of London became united, and were incorporated under the name and

style of “the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of Freemen of the Art or Mistery of Clothworkers of the City of London.”

London,"<sup>1</sup> charged with providing yearly a trental of masses for the good of his soul, and with the payment of his debts and legacies. To the Fellowship of his Company of the Pewterers, being of the livery, he leaves forty shillings. Dated 12 October, A.D. 1541. A.D.  
1541-2.

Roll 243 (62).

*Monday next before the Feast of Purification of V. Mary* [2 Feb.].

**Asshe** (WILLIAM), pewterer.—Another enrolment of the above will. Roll 243 (64).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Alphege, Bishop* [19 April].

**Davyson** (GEORGE), citizen and freeman of the Fellowship or Craft of "Gurdelers" of the City of London.—The custom of the City of London having been time out of mind that a freeman sole seised of lands and tenements within the said City in his demesne as of fee may lawfully by testament and last will devise the same into mortmain without licence of the king or other lords first had and obtained, he leaves to the master and wardens of the fellowship aforesaid certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Katherine Colman, charged with the observance of an obit for the good of his soul, the souls of Johanna his late wife and others, in the church of S. Brigid in Fletestrete, with the distribution of thirty shillings in coals and wood among the poor of the parish of S. Brigid aforesaid, and other payments, in manner as directed.<sup>2</sup> In case of default the property to go

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1542.

<sup>1</sup> Or one of the City "waits," so called from their having been originally watchmen (Fr. *gayte*) who patrolled the streets, provided with trumpets wherewith to raise an alarm. In course of time they came to be known only as musicians, or "Minstrels Waits." They formed a fellowship among themselves, and in 1442 petitioned the Mayor and Aldermen that they might be allowed a livery, like waits in other cities and towns (Letter-Book K, fol. 206 b). It appears from the accounts of the churchwardens of S. Michael's, Cornhill, for the year 1589, that the City Waits were asked to "take the note" of a new church bell, for which they were paid eighteen pence; but the parish authorities, not being quite satisfied with their judgment, called in another company of musicians "to take a further noute of the same bell."

<sup>2</sup> It appears from a report made by a committee of the Company in 1747 that the property here devised had been sold, some time previous to that year, subject to a rent of 40s., and that 30s. a year was at that time regularly paid to the parish of S. Bride; the other payments, consisting of small sums to the churchwardens, and the wardens and beadle of the Company, had been discontinued ('The Endowed Charities of the City of London,' reprinted from Charity Comm. Reports, 1829, p. 222). Mr. Hare reported in 1855 that the said sum of 30s. continued to be regularly paid by the Master and Wardens of the Girdlers' Company, and was charged on a house, No. 106, Fenchurch Street (Appendix to Report of City Parochial Charities Commission, 1880, vol. iii. pp. 121-2).

**A.D.** over to the Wardens and Fellowship of "Sadlers" of the City of  
**1542.** London under like conditions. Dated 24 March, A.D. 1541.  
 Roll 243 (69).

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**1542-3.**

#### ANNO 34 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Babham** (WILLIAM), grocer.—To John Kyte, clerk, parson of the church of S. Stephen upon Walbrook, and churchwardens of the same, an annual quitrent issuing from a messuage in the parish of S. Margaret in Bridge Street, for the maintenance of an obit, charitable gifts to the poor, and works of the said church, in manner as directed. In case of default the said rent to go over to the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary Woolchurch for like purposes. Dated 30 July, A.D. 1513.

Roll 243 (82).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Johnson** (LEONARD), stockfishmonger.—To the parson and wardens of the church of S. Martin le Orgar his tenement in S. Clement's Lane in the parish of S. Clement near Estchepe, so that they cause prayers to be said for the good of his soul, the souls of John Bell, late dyer, and others. Dated 12 April, A.D. 1542.

Roll 243 (104).

**A.D.**  
**1543-4.**

#### ANNO 35 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary, Bishop [13 Jan.].*

**Cooke** (JOHN), the elder, citizen and mercer.—To the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London and their successors he leaves his capital messuage called "the Duke of Norfolkes place," and other messuages at Broken Wharf in the parish of S. Mary Somerset, formerly belonging to Sir Richard Gresham, Knt. and Alderman, who bought the same of Thomas, Duke of Norfolk;<sup>1</sup> to hold to the said Mayor and Commonalty and their

<sup>1</sup> Touching this place, Stow writes:—"By this Broken wharf remaineth one large old building of stone, with arched gates, which messuage, as I find, in the reign of Henry III. the 43rd year, pertaining unto Hugh de Bygot; and in



successors to their own proper use and behoof. Dated 16 October, A.D. 1543-4.  
A.D. 1542. Roll 243 (128).

## ANNO 36 HENRY VIII.

A.D.  
1544-5.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mildred, Virgin [20 Feb.].*

**Watson (JOHN)**, "bruer."—To be buried near the cross in S. Paul's churchyard. Bequests to the high altar in the church of S. Albone, where he is a parishioner, and to the Fraternity of S. Albone therein; to John Revet and Agnes Revet his cousins, John Jugson his sister's son, his apprentices, and others; to S. Bartholomew's Hospital; to the church of Cave, co. York, and to Clyf Chapel<sup>1</sup> within the parish of North Cave, where he went sometime to school; and to the four orders of friars attending his funeral for masses. Among other bequests he leaves ten marks for the mending of Duckettes Lane, six shillings and eightpence for making a cross at the end of the same lane, and three pounds for the mending of "Wallingfeld Cawsey." To Johanna his wife tenements in Grobstrete in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate for life; remainder to the Wardens and Commonalty of his Craft of Brewers of London in aid of the poor almsmen of the craft. Also to his said wife his lands in the parish of "Totnham," co. Middlesex. The wardens and men of the livery of his craft are desired yearly, when they come to S. Paul's churchyard on Christmas Day to wait upon the Mayor and Aldermen according to custom,<sup>2</sup> to turn towards his grave there and say *Pater noster* and *Ave Maria* for his soul. Bequests for bread and ale for poor prisoners in the Marshallsey and the King's Bench in Southwerk, the "Counters,"<sup>3</sup> and the prisons of Ludgate and Newgate. Dated 12 May, A.D. 1522. Roll 244 (2).

the 11th of Edward III. to Thomas Brotherton, the King's brother, Earl of Norfolk; in the 11th of Henry VI. to John Mowbray, Duke of Norfolk, &c." He further speaks of it as belonging in his day to the City of London, and as having been partly converted into a brewery ('Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 135).

<sup>1</sup> The parish of North Cave (Hunsley Beacon Division, in the East Riding of Yorkshire) comprises the townships

of North Cave, Drewton with Everthorpe, and South Cliff.

<sup>2</sup> "The days of attendance that the fellowships do give to the Mayor at his going to Paules were seven, as followeth: (1) Alhallowen day, (2) Christmase day, (3) St. Stephen's day, (4) St. John's day, (5) New Year's day, (6) Twelfth day, (7) Candlemasse day" (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 197).

<sup>3</sup> See note *supra*, p. 501.

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1536-7.

ANNO 28 HENRY VIII.<sup>1</sup>

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

**Bromwell** (WILLIAM), mercer.—To the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London he leaves divers tenements, with wharf called "Holy Roode Wharff" in the parish of S. Mary att Hyll, in support of the burdens of the said City. Dated 12 December, 28 Henry VIII. [A.D. 1536]. Roll 244 (20).

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1545.

ANNO 37 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next after the Feast of Visitation of V. Mary [2 July].*

**Storre** (WILLIAM), saddler.—To the Wardens of the Craft or Mistery of "Sadeler's" in the City of London and commonalty of the same a certain messuage in Gutterlane in the parish of S. Vedast, and the reversion of others in Westchepe, of which he had become solely seised, to hold to the use of the said wardens and commonalty. Dated 20 March, A.D. 1532. Roll 244 (52).

A.D.  
1545-6.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine, Martyr [14 Feb.].*

**Momforde** (JAMES), freeman of the City of London.—Decree of John Croke, Doctor of Laws and Commissary of the Bishop of London, in favour of a disputed codicil of the said James Momforde, whereby he leaves three tenements, viz., one occupied by Master Charley, another called "the whyte beere," and another occupied by a waxchandler, to his wife, to "the Church" (for distribution of coals to the poor), and to Robert and John Awsten his two sons-in-law (stepsons) respectively. The devise to the last-mentioned he made because the chiefest thrift that he had had came by their mother, his first wife. The codicil was ordered to be annexed to the testator's will, and Emma his widow, who opposed probate of the codicil against the said Robert and John Awsten, was condemned in costs. Dated 6 February, A.D. 1544. Roll 244 (69).

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1546.

ANNO 38 HENRY VIII.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Momford** or **Mountefford** (EMMA, widow of JAMES, barber-

<sup>1</sup> A curiously irregular enrolment.

surgeon).—To be buried in the churchyard of S. George's in Bothulphe Lane near her late husband. To Elizabeth Atkynson an annuity of twenty shillings. To the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. George aforesaid she leaves a "Backehowse" called "the Signe of the Beare," then let at an annual rent of five pounds, charged with expending the sum of twenty shillings yearly on an obit, the distribution of four cartloads of coal to the poor of the parish,<sup>1</sup> and other pious and charitable uses, in accordance with the terms of the will of her late husband. In default the property to go over to the Wardens and Company of "Barbours and Surgeons." To Richard Cloose, grocer, and Elizabeth his wife, a natural<sup>2</sup> sister of the testatrix, a capital messuage in Bothulphe Lane, tenanted by John Charley, citizen and cooper of London, and a certain other tenement in the same lane, to hold the same in tail; remainders over. Dated 21 March, A.D. 1544. Roll 244 (81).

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Certificate of probate of the above, and of administration of goods and chattels, having been granted to executors named in the above will.

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[Roll 245 is wanting in the series.]

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### ANNO 5 EDWARD VI.

A.D.  
1551.

*Monday next before F. of SS. Tiburcius and Valerian [14 April].*

**Hill<sup>3</sup>** (SIR ROWLANDE), Knt., Alderman of the City of London.  
—Directions for the establishment of a school in his town and

<sup>1</sup> Under the heading "Mounford's Charity," Mr. Hare reported in 1860 as follows:—"This is an endowment under the will of James Mounford, dated the 5th October, 1544, of a tenement of the yearly value of 5*l.* to keep an obit, bestowing yearly at the same obit 20*s.*, and with a direction every year to buy four cartloads of coals, two to be given to the poor on All Saints' Day, and two about Christmas. This is supposed to be the origin of a payment of 10*l.* 10*s.* a year which is annually paid to the parish by the treasurer of St. Thomas's Hospital.....The parish pays to the rector 1*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.* for a sermon on the

5th November, but I cannot find from which endowment it proceeds. It might possibly have been regarded as a commutation for the obit" (Appendix to Report City Paroch. Charities Com., 1850, vol. iii. p. 168).

<sup>2</sup> Probably meaning legitimate. Cf. "filii naturalis et legitimi" in a deed, Hust. Roll 232 (22).

<sup>3</sup> Alderman of Castle Baynard and Walbrook Wards successively; Sheriff, 1541; Mayor, 1549. Died in 1561, so that this will must have been proved during his lifetime. Buried in the church of S. Stephen, Walbrook. Another will is enrolled the year of his death.

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**1551.** manor of Drayton in Hales, co. Salop,<sup>1</sup> in a hall of a messuage commonly called "Saint Marie Halle." The churchwardens of the parish church of Drayton to receive from the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of London an annual sum of sixteen pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence, out of which the schoolmaster is to have a yearly salary of ten pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence and the usher five pounds six shillings and eightpence, the residue being kept in a chest and to be bestowed when necessary on repairs. In case of default made in keeping up the school at Drayton it is to be removed, together with its endowments, to the town of Salopp' [Shrewsbury], and again in case of default to Mayor and citizens or head of the Corporation of the city of Westchester. Dated 6 April, 5 Edward VI. [A.D. 1551].

Roll 246 (23).

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**1551-2.**

# ANNO 6 EDWARD VI.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Scolastica, Virgin [10 Feb.].*

**Trigges** (JOHN), draper.—To be buried in the churchyard of S. Martin Orgar. Bequests to the poor of the parish of S. Martin aforesaid. Hugh Bancroft his apprentice to enter upon the shop of his dwelling-house and take his cloth at cost price, and to enjoy the same during the lifetime of Jane his wife, paying to the said Jane yearly twenty-six pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence. After the decease of his said wife the said Hugh is to pay to her executors the value of the aforesaid cloth. To Jane his wife he leaves all his other tenements, &c., together with his goods, chattels, plate, jewels, &c., for life; remainder to the aforesaid Hugh. Dated 5 December, A.D. 1551.

Roll 246 (61).

*Monday the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Barker** (CHRISTOPHER), *alias* "Garter Knight, principall Kinge

<sup>1</sup> A free grammar school was founded in Drayton-in-Hales, otherwise Market Drayton, co. Salop, by letters patent dated 6 November, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary [A.D. 1555], to be called "the Free Grammar School of Sir Rowland Hyll, Knight, citizen and Alderman of the City of London." An endowment of 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to the master and 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to the usher is said to have been payable

out of the manor of Wellington, co. Salop. The school received a further endowment in 1622 from Sir Thomas Lake and Dame Mary Lake his wife, one of the daughters and coheirs of Sir William Rider, Alderman of the City of London. Lord Clive received the early part of his education at this school (Carlisle's 'Endowed Grammar Schools,' 1818, vol. ii. pp. 347-9).

at Armes of Englisshemen," residing in the parish of S. Faith.—After expressing a pious hope that his soul may be received into Abraham's bosom he directs that his "wretched corps and carcas" be buried in a vault which he had prepared in the long chapel next S. Faith's Church in Paules. To William Hunnynges his cousin certain lands and tenements in Stratford Langthorne, co. Essex, in return for the surrender of certain bonds. To Edith his wife all his other freeholds, also his copyhold lands and tenements in the counties of Essex and Middlesex, houses in Paternoster Rowe, Lymestrete, and elsewhere in the City, a mansion house and lands at Wansted, Westham, and Barking, &c., for life. To the "companye"<sup>1</sup> of the Vintners of London he leaves the reversion of his tenements in Lymestrete aforesaid for their maintenance.<sup>2</sup> To Edward Boyce, draper, his brother, the reversion of his house in Paternoster Rowe. To Edward Turnour he gives three "Kyen" and a "heffer" at Wansted, so that the said Edward give his wife milk for her house when she lieth at Wansted, "the saide kyen beinge then mylche." Among other bequests he gives to Nicholas Wethers a helmet and a sword, and to William Colbarne "a littee baye geldinge." Dated 31 December, A.D. 1549. Roll 246 (70).

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1551-2.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Leodegarius, Bishop* [2 Oct.].

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1552.

Middleton (WILLIAM), mercer.—To the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London he leaves a tenement called "the crowne" in the City of London, which he had acquired from Robert Chertsey, Alderman<sup>3</sup> of London, to the only use and behoof of the Mayor, &c. Dated 1 July, A.D. 1551. Roll 246 (97).

## ANNO 7 EDWARD VI.

*Monday next before F. of SS. Tiburcius and Valerian* [14 April].

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1553.

Charley (JOHN), "cowper" of London.—To the Master and

<sup>1</sup> The term "Company" took the place of "Guild" or "Fraternity" after the abolition of religious guilds by Stat. 1 Edward VI., cap. 14.

<sup>2</sup> The Company make no mention of this devise in their Return to the Livery Companies Commission of 1880. It

appears, however, that the Company are in possession of property in Lime Street, although their return gives no information as to how and when it was acquired (Appendix to Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. ii. p. 665).

<sup>3</sup> Of Farringdon Within.

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Wardens or Keepers of the Commonalty of the Freemen of the Mistery of Cowpers<sup>1</sup> of London and of the suburbs of the same he leaves a messuage and wharf called "the Olde Wollekey," in the parish of All Saints, Barking, which he held in trust for fulfilment of the will of Nicholas Gibson, late grocer of London, "accordinge to the laudable custome of the Citie of London"; to be held by the said master and wardens charged with the maintenance of a "mete and learned man in the letters of grammer" to teach grammar and the knowledge of grammar, and also to instruct little children in the A B C, and such learning as should be most convenient, in the school or school-house erected at Radclyffe, co. Middlesex,<sup>2</sup> by the aforesaid Nicholas, and also with the maintenance of an usher learned in Latin and grammar, and subject to other conditions as set out in a certain copy of Court Roll of the Manor of Stebbunhuth.<sup>3</sup> The master and wardens aforesaid are also, among other things, after the decease of Dame Alice Knyvet, widow, sometime wife of the aforesaid Nicholas, to maintain fourteen poor men and women in the almshouse near the aforesaid school, seven of which are to be poor inhabitants of the parish of Stebbenhuth, and the other seven to be poor persons of the Mistery of the Cowpers or their wives, and to give to each of them yearly the sum of twenty-six shillings and eightpence. The tenements to be surveyed twice a year, and at each survey the master, wardens, &c., are to have a "potacioun" among the men of the mistery. Dated 21 March, A.D. 1552.

Roll 246 (130).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Alphege [19 April].*

**Alleyn** (JASPER), draper.—To be buried in the church of S. Nicholas Acon if he chance to die in the parish, otherwise in the parish church where he may happen to die, "withoute anye

<sup>1</sup> The Coopers' Company was incorporated by charter in 1501 (29 April, 16 Henry VII.).

<sup>2</sup> This devise is referred to in the Company's Return to the Commission appointed in 1880 as the Ratcliff Charity, founded by Nicholas Gibson in 1540, and subsequently endowed by Lady Avice Knyvett his widow. The object of the foundation was the

maintenance of a free school and almshouses in the hamlet of Ratcliff in the parish of S. Dunstan, Stepney. The charity was further benefited by gifts from Henry Cloker in 1573, Tobias Wood in 1611, and Henry Strode in 1703 (Appendix to Report Livery Comp. Com., 1881, vol. iii. p. 273).

<sup>3</sup> Stepney.

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pompe or pride of vaine glorie." To Katherine his wife he leaves one third of his goods and chattels, according to the laudable use and custom of the City of London; to John, William, and Margery, and his infant *en ventre sa mère*, another third; and the residue he reserves to himself for payment of debts, legacies, &c. Thirteen sermons to be preached on as many Sundays next after his burial, to be paid for at the rate of six shillings and eightpence each. Bequests of money, clothes, coals, &c., to the new hospital lately founded by King Henry VIII.,<sup>1</sup> to various prisons and for redemption of prisoners, to poor householders in the parish of S. Nicholas aforesaid, and others. To Peter Alleyn his brother he leaves ten pounds, for buying some honest office for the maintenance of the said Peter, rather than that the bequest should be paid in ready money; also his "halyedaie gowne of puke<sup>2</sup> furred with budge." To his mother, late wife of Roger Chaloner, deceased, to both his aunts in Yorkshire, to Johane, daughter of William his brother, to Richard Sodaye his brother, to his sister Hawke, late the wife of Thomas Hawke, and others, he makes divers bequests, comprising gowns, rings, &c. To John Robyns his factor in Andolozea a gown and a ring of gold with his name graven in it. To the Company of Drapers he leaves twenty shillings. His house in Fanchurchestrete in course of erection is to be finished with the residue of his third part. Dated 4 November, A.D. 1548.—By a codicil he leaves to Katherine his wife his new house just mentioned for life; remainder to John his son. His other two houses are to go to his other two children forthwith.

Roll 246 (134).

## ANNO 1 MARY.

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Bolton** (CHRISTOPHER), skinner.—To be buried in the parish church cloister of All Hallows "the more" in Thamystrete. To his natural<sup>3</sup> mother, Johanne Bolton, widow, he gives an annuity of

<sup>1</sup> S. Bartholomew's Hospital.

<sup>2</sup> This word is often met with in mediæval accounts, and refers both to a colour and to a stuff. In the former sense it represented a shade between

black and russet, and is said to be derived from Fr. *puce*, flea colour. Here and elsewhere in the Husting wills it appears to be some distinctive material.

<sup>3</sup> Meaning legitimate.

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forty shillings, to be paid to her by Thomasyne his wife. To Walter his brother forty shillings and all his raiment. To his "vyse"<sup>1</sup> Jane Artur a certain sum of money, to be paid to her on her marriage. The residue of his goods, together with his lands and tenements, he leaves to his wedded wife Thomasyne. Dated 16 June, A.D. 1546. Roll 246 (152).

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# ANNO 1 MARY.

*Monday the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

Wylkyns (ROBERT), the elder, turner.—Bequests of money and goods to his cousin Johanne Myddleton, Johan Peck his sister, and others; and the residue of his goods and chattels, not otherwise disposed of, he leaves to Helen his daughter. To Thomas Marrowe, esquire, lands, tenements, &c., in Philpot Lane in the parish of S. Andrew Hubbert near Eastchepe, charged with an annual payment of three pounds to Robert his son for the term of twenty years. Dated 28 May, A.D. 1552. Roll 247 (16).

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1554.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

Armestronge (JOHN), citizen and cook of London.—A sermon to be preached for him where he is buried, and the preacher thereof to have towards the buying of his books six shillings and eightpence. Bequests to the hospital in Southwark, and for the repair of Mapes Lane, which is between Kylborne and Wilsdon, co. Middlesex. Among various bequests to individuals are the following:—To John Styrlay, vintner, his best gown faced with damask, and also "a Jerkyn of Braunched Velvett<sup>2</sup> to shote in." To Robert Watles, citizen and grocer, a pot parcel gilt with a cover with his name, with an arm and a hand open on it. To John Sturtle, citizen and cook, his bow "with small pynnes and half a dossen shaftes"; also his "gowne of browne blewe faced with lezardes,"<sup>3</sup> also a pot with ears without cover, parcel gilt, and "a dogeon molde." To his sister Mawde Frisingefelde "half a garnysse of vessell."<sup>4</sup> To John Mors his brother-in-law "a puke

<sup>1</sup> Mistress (?).

<sup>2</sup> Velvet with figured pattern.

<sup>3</sup> Probably the same as "lewzernes," or "lucerns," met with elsewhere, and

supposed to be the fur made from the skin of the lynx.

<sup>4</sup> See note *supra*, p. 629.



gowne forefaced with conye and furred with black lambe." To John Starkye, citizen and fletcher,<sup>1</sup> his gown without velvet faced with foynes; and to his cousin William Armestronge, a man at arms, "a Targett with a mase." To the Company of Cooks he leaves forty shillings to make them a recreation or banquet. To a former servant of his he leaves "two moldes, the one of pere tree beinge dise square, and the other haveinge a pellycane with a cluster of grapes." Alice his wife to enjoy a life interest in all his lands and tenements in the City of London and the county of Middlesex. To George Frisingefelde the reversion of a messuage in Brige-strete in the parish of S. Leonard Eastcheap, on condition that the said George and his successors continue to keep it as a cook shop for ever; remainder over in case of default. To Katherine, sister of the said George, the reversion of a tenement called "the Peacock" in the parish of S. Leonard aforesaid. To Oliver Armestrong his brother the reversion of his lands and tenements in Wilsdon aforesaid. Dated 16 March, A.D. 1552. Roll 247 (44).

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1554.

## ANNO 2 MARY.

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1555.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Etheldreda, Virgin [23 June].*

Clayton (THOMAS), citizen and baker of London.—To be buried in the parish church of S. Mary at Hill, near Johanne his first wife. To the Master, Wardens, and Company of the "Lyverie" of White Bakers<sup>2</sup> of London for them to come to his burial he leaves twenty shillings for a recreation among them. Forgives "wife mampuddinge,"<sup>3</sup> otherwise called "goodwif Odye," and others the

<sup>1</sup> Maker of *fleches* or arrows.

<sup>2</sup> The bakers of London were chiefly of two classes, viz., the White Bakers or bakers of white bread, and the Brown Bakers or bakers of brown bread, who also enjoyed the monopoly, *temp.* Eliz., of making a coarse kind of bread known as "horse-bread" (Letter-Book Z, fol. 174). Ordinances regulating the trade are set out in 'Liber Albus' (Rolls Series, i. 356-8) and in the 'Liber Cust.' (Rolls Series, i. 104-5). The price of bread of all kinds, annually settled by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City, with the assistance of discreet men sworn for the purpose, is also to be

found in a MS. known as the *Assisa Panis*, preserved among the City's Records. The bakers were incorporated by letters patent of Henry VII. (*not* Henry VIII. as stated in the Company's Return to the Commissioners in 1884), dated 22 July, A.D. 1486, as a perpetual guild or fraternity to the glory of God, the Virgin his mother, and of S. Clement (Letter-Book I, fol. 227 b).

<sup>3</sup> A woman of this nickname, says Stow, for many years kept a victualling shop in Tower Street Ward in or near the street called Petty Wales ('Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 52).

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debts they owe to him. Leaves sums of money to his servants, comprising Christofer Strongman his "furner," William Swifte his "whitehewe," his journeymen, apprentices, and others. To his cousin Thomas Lee, vintner, he leaves his chain of gold, weighing eight ounces and valued at thirty pounds, so that the said Thomas pay the sum of ten pounds to each of the two daughters of Sampson Clayton his late brother against the time of their marriage. To the governors and rulers of the house of poor children founded in the parish of Christchurch<sup>1</sup> within Newgate he leaves twenty pounds. Ellen his wife to immediately enjoy all leases, &c., of lands and tenements to which she was entitled in the right of her former husband. To the Master, Wardens, and Fellowship of the Craft or Mistery of White Bakers he leaves his leasehold land in the marshes of Olde Forde, Hackeney, and Edelmeton "mershe," in the parishes of S. Leonard, Hacknaye, and Edmonton, co. Middlesex; also a goblet with a cover all gilt, with a "Clement"<sup>2</sup> on the top, weighing thirty-one ounces and a quarter, and another goblet gilt belonging to the same, weighing eighteen ounces and a quarter. To Thomas Clayton his cousin, citizen and grocer, a cup with a cover all gilt, compassed with a garland about the lid, weighing twenty-five ounces "downe waight." To Thomas Barbour of Tarlinge, co. Essex, a cup with a cover all gilt, with a round "knoppe" and a garland about the lid, with a crown under the bottom, weighing twenty-two ounces and a half. To Master Hans Brand, Master Reignolde Strowse, Master Alderman, and to the house master for the time being within the house of the Stiliarde,<sup>3</sup> for the use of the

<sup>1</sup> Now known as Christ's Hospital, built upon a portion of the site of the suppressed monastery of the Grey Friars.

<sup>2</sup> S. Clement was the patron saint of the Guild of Bakers. A similar guild existed at Bristol, where "Saint Clement's money" was devoted to the maintenance of wax tapers in their chapel, the same being collected by two officers called "waxmen," who are found in other guilds also.

<sup>3</sup> Corrupted into Steelyard, an enclosed place situate near Dowgate, where the foreign merchants known as "Easterlings" and "Emperor's men" lived in seclusion and warehoused their

goods. Its name was obtained from the "stiliard" (Lat. *statera*, Ital. *stadera*, Span. *stadiero*, Eng. *staiier*) or beam used for weighing merchandise, and not, as some German writers would have us believe, from *stapel-hof* (market-house), nor from any process of manufacture known as "steeling" cloth. A suggestion that the Easterlings were probably the successors of the Emperor's men mentioned in the laws of King Ethelred, and were so called, not from their having come from the eastern shores of the Baltic, according to the popular notion, but rather from Egypt and the Archipelago, whence they

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fellowship and company of merchants in the said house and their successors, he leaves a basin with ewer parcel gilt, weighing sixty-four ounces, and four gilt spoons weighing eight ounces, with the mark of "T" and "K." To William Brayfelde, baker, a goblet with a cover parcel gilt with a "Clement," with the letters "T" and "J." To Cecilie Eynes, his wife's daughter, a "salte" with a cover all gilt with a Clement in the top, and with the letters "T" and "J," weighing twenty ounces and three quarters. To the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Mary at Hill he leaves two goblets with a cover gilt, with roses and flowers on the "knoppe" of the same cover, on either of which goblets is the mark of a hand, for the purpose of making therewith two chalices of silver gilt for service in the said church. Bequests also of various ale pots, some being of antique work, and one of them having a cover gilt with two ears marked with a "Clement." To the master of his company he leaves an ale pot with a cover all gilt, with two axes on the top enamelled. Dated 23 March, A.D. 1554.

Roll 247 (129).

**Clayton (THOMAS), baker.**—To the Master and Wardens of the Guild of the Fraternity of Our Lady and S. Clement of the Craft or Mistery of White Bakers in the City of London he leaves his "backehouse," &c., in the parish of S. Mary at Hill, charged with the observance of his obit, with charitable gift of "halfe penny white bread," ale, &c., with "potacioun" at "Bakers Halle,"<sup>1</sup> in manner as directed. And if it should happen that such bequests for keeping his anniversary or obit should be illegal—"as of late yeres in the tyme of Kinge Edwarde the Sixte the prayeing for the dead and all ceremonies for and concernynge the same in the saide maner and fourme to be used were abrogated and disallowed"—the sums of money so bequeathed are to go over to the governors of the house of the poor children within Newgate.<sup>2</sup> The said master and wardens are also to distribute a certain quantity of

brought the pre-eminently Eastern art of weighing and the "sterling" silver penny or "standard" coinage (*σταντήρ*), whereby goods were weighed, has been shown to be not altogether unreasonable by the writer of the Introduction to the Grocers' earliest Minute-Book (facsimile), already alluded to.

<sup>1</sup> In Hart Lane, or Harpe Lane, running down from Tower Street to the Thames. It was, says Stow, sometime the dwelling-house of John Chichley, Chamberlain of London, a relative of the archbishop of that name ('Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 51).

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coal at Christmas among the poor of the parish of S. Mary aforesaid. To the parson and churchwardens of the said parish church he leaves a tenement within the parish for the maintenance of the said church and of divine service therein. To Eleyn his wife a tenement in the same parish for life; remainder to William Brayfelde, baker, in tail; remainders over. Dated 30 March, A.D. 1555. Roll 247 (130).

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1556.

## ANNO 2 &amp; 3 PHILIP AND MARY.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Alphege, Bishop [19 April].*

**Elder (WILLIAM)**, plasterer (*gipsarius*).—To the Master and Wardens of the Guild or Fraternity of the Playsterers of the City of London he leaves his messuage called “the Pynners Hall”<sup>1</sup> in Adelstrete in the parish of S. Alban the Martyr, which he acquired from the Master and Wardens of “Merchaunttailours” of the Fraternity of S. John Baptist, to hold the same to them and their successors for ever quietly and in peace. Dated 14 May, A.D. 1545. Roll 248 (43).

**Sheparde (ROBERT)**, plasterer.—To the Master and Wardens of the Guild or Fraternity of the Blessed Mary of Plasterers of London he leaves certain tenements in Adelane or Adelstrete in the parish of S. Alban in Woodstrete, situate near “le Plasterers Hall,” to hold the same to the use of the said master and wardens and their successors for ever. Dated 20 April, A.D. 1556.

Roll 248 (44).

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## ANNO 3 &amp; 4 PHILIP AND MARY.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Gregory, Bishop [12 March].*

**Assheton (JOHN)**, “talloughchaundler.”—To be buried in the “queare” or chancel of his parish church of S. Botolph without

<sup>1</sup> “Then is Adle Street, the reason of which name I know not, for at this present it is replenished with fair buildings on both sides; amongst the which there was sometime the Pinnars’ Hall, but that company being decayed, it is now

the Plaisterers’ Hall” (Stow). This property, which is situate in Addle Street and Philip Lane, is now tenanted by Foster, Porter & Co., Limited, on lease.

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Algate. Bequests of money and charcoal to the poor of the said parish. To Elizabeth his wife his messuage or inn called "the signe of the three nonnes" in the same parish for life; remainder to Jane Turnour his kinswoman, wife of Richard Turnour, in tail; remainder over. Also to the said Jane he leaves divers household chattels, comprising beds, tablecloths, pewter platters and dishes, pots and pans, goblets, mazers, the hanging of the hall of the aforesaid messuage of "paynted steynyng<sup>1</sup>" of the story of Joseph, &c., to be delivered to her after the decease of his aforesaid wife. His wife may let the above messuage for a term of thirty years or less without any hindrance from the aforesaid Richard and Jane, during which time she is to be allowed to enjoy the rent. Also to his said wife he leaves other tenements in the same parish for life; remainders to Katherine, Johanna, and Robert Assheton his kinsfolk. Also to his said wife three tenements in Houndesdiche next to Busshoppesgate for life; remainder to the Master and Wardens of the Art or Company of "talloughchaundlers" of London and their successors, to the use of the same company and for the maintenance of their hall.<sup>2</sup> Bequests also to the said company for a recreation, and to the yeomanry of the same. Among other bequests are the following:—To Humfrey Frithe his sword and an angel noble of gold. To John Transfelde his gown furred with "conye." To various individuals he leaves angel nobles of gold. To Richard Jewe his servant forty shillings and his bows and shafts appertaining to them, so that he be a good servant to his wife. His present tenants are not to be evicted so long as they continue to pay their present rent. Dated 5 April, A.D. 1555.

Roll 248 (114).

<sup>1</sup> Painted cloth as a species of hangings for rooms was cloth or canvas painted in oil with various devices and stories fabulous or historical. It was often so painted as to represent tapestry; the latter, being too costly for ordinary use, was reserved for the more splendid apartments of the mansion house. Instances of stained cloth have already occurred in the wills of Thomas Madefrey, Canon of Wells (*supra*, p. 190), and John de Coggeshale (p. 250). Those engaged in the art or mystery were incorporated by charter of Queen Elizabeth, 19 July, 1581, under the name of "The Master and Wardens and Com-

monalty of the Freemen of the Mystery or Art of Painters, commonly called Painters' Stainers, within the City of London, and suburbs and liberties thereof."

<sup>2</sup> The Tallow-chandlers' Company was one of the few Livery Companies which declined to make a return to the Livery Companies Commission appointed in 1880 of their corporate property, income, and expenditure. Hence it is impossible to trace the property here devised.

<sup>3</sup> The value of the angel or angel noble varied from 6s. 8d. to 10s. Derived its name from the figure of the archangel driving a spear through a dragon.

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1557.*Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Denham** (SIR WILLIAM), Knt., merchant of the Staple of Calais. —To the Master, Wardens, and Fellowship of Iremongers in the City of London he leaves divers messuages situate in the parish of S. Olave in the Old Jewry, which formerly belonged to the late dissolved monastery of Berkinge,<sup>1</sup> co. Essex, and which he bought of the Lord the King by letters patent under the Great Seal; to hold the same charged with the annual payment to him or his assigns during his lifetime<sup>2</sup> of the sum of twenty pounds, and after his decease with the observance of his obit within the chapel or within the parish church of "Our Ladie Barkinge" in Tower Ward, for the good of his soul, the souls of Nicholas and Elizabeth his father and mother, and others, in manner as directed. The master, wardens, and fellowship aforesaid to yearly bring their best cloth to lie upon his "herse,"<sup>3</sup> and bestow certain gifts to poor parishioners of Barkinge and others, as set out; also they are to pay yearly the sum of forty-one shillings to the parson and churchwardens of the parish church of Lyston, co. Devon, where he was born, for pious uses; also ten shillings to the Wardens and Commonalty of Grocerie, to the intent that the clerk of the said Company of Grocerie or their beadle attend his mass, whereof two shillings and fourpence is to be given to seven poor people dwelling within the precinct of Grocers' Hall. In case of default made in carrying out the terms of his devise the whole of the above property is to go over to the Wardens and Commonalty of Grocerie aforesaid for similar uses, and in case of further default to his right heirs. Dated 12 September, A.D. 1544.

Roll 248 (134).

**Lewen** (THOMAS), "Iremonger."—To Agnes his wife his messuages in the parish of S. Nicholas Olave, as well as his lands,

<sup>1</sup> Founded by Erkenwald, afterwards Bishop of London.

<sup>2</sup> It appears that the testator's will was to take effect immediately after its execution, and not from the time of his death.

<sup>3</sup> Chaucer uses the term "herse" to denote the decorated bier or funeral pageant, as here. Originally it signified a pyramidal candlestick, or frame for

supporting lights, so called from its resemblance to a harrow (*hercia*), and used in the solemn services of Holy Week as well as at funeral obsequies. The corpse of John Islip, Abbot of Westminster, who died in 1552, was placed "undre a goodlye Herse wth manye lights.....which was left standing until the monethes mynde" (Way's 'Prompt. Parv.,' s.v. *Herce*).

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woods, &c., in the village of Sypnam,<sup>1</sup> in the parish of Burnam, co. Bucks, for life. To the Master, Wardens, and Company of the "mysterie or occupacion"<sup>2</sup> of the Iremongers of the City of London and their successors the reversion of his messuages aforesaid, to hold the same charged—until such time as a new monastery be erected at Sawtrye, co. Huntingdon, of the same order of monks as were there in the old monastery before its suppression—with the maintenance of a mass priest in the church of S. Nicholas aforesaid to pray and preach therein, and perform other services as set out. The said priest to dwell in the fairest of the five new tenements which he purposes newly to erect within the churchyard of the said parish of S. Nicholas; the other four tenements<sup>3</sup> being set apart for dwelling-houses for four poor and honest men of the company aforesaid, who are to be allowed to live rent free, and to receive, each of them, twenty pence quarterly. The said master and wardens are further enjoined to pay yearly to the Friars Observants<sup>4</sup> within the realm of England the sum of five pounds, and a like sum to two poor scholars, one to be of Oxford and the other of Cambridge,<sup>5</sup> towards their maintenance; they are also to observe his obit, and expend various sums of money upon tapers, bread, ale, &c., in manner as directed. Immediately after the rebuilding of a monastery at Sawtrye as aforesaid, the said master and wardens are to pay to the abbot or prior the money previously devoted to the mass priest and the maintenance of

<sup>1</sup> Cippenham.

<sup>2</sup> Here we have the right interpretation of the word "mystery" as so often applied to the Livery Companies. It has no connexion whatever with mystery (*μυστήριον*) or secret, but is rather to be referred to Lat. *ministerium*, a ministry, office, or occupation. The mediæval Latin term for it is, however, *mestera* (Fr. *métier*).

<sup>3</sup> These tenements, which were situate on Bread Street Hill, having been destroyed in the Fire of London, the Company appropriated four houses in S. Luke's parish, Old Street, for the pensioners; and these being burnt down in 1785, the Company rebuilt them at their own cost, and four poor members of the Company reside therein (Return

made to the Commissioners appointed in 1880, vol. ii. p. 570).

<sup>4</sup> Or Observantines, a reformed Franciscan order, called in France and Belgium "Recollets." About the beginning of the sixteenth century the Franciscans split into two bodies, (1) the Conventual, who indulged in the laxity permitted by the Pope, (2) the Observants, or Sabbotiers (so called from their wearing *sabots* or wooden shoes), who rigidly adhered to their founder's rule. In England they had an ill repute as spies on behalf of the Pope, frequenting the Court and noblemen's houses for the purpose of prying (Walcott's 'Sacred Archaeology,' s.v. Franciscans).

<sup>5</sup> The sum of 15*l.* is now paid yearly to each of the exhibitioners, instead of 2*l.* 10*s.*

A.D. 1557. tapers, who shall cause a mass daily to be said, and four sermons yearly to be made within the said monastery, for the good of his soul. To the Provost and Fellows of the College of Eyton,<sup>1</sup> co. Bucks, he leaves the reversion of his lands and tenements in the village of Sypnam aforesaid, charged with the observance of his obit in the parish church of Burneham, and with the payment of six shillings and eightpence to the poor of Burneham yearly upon Good Friday, &c. In default the said lands and tenements to go over to the Master and Wardens and Company of Iremongers aforesaid. Dated 20 April, A.D. 1555.

Roll 248 (135).

*Monday next before F. of Nativity of S. John Baptist [24 June].*

**Downe** (ROBERT), "Iremonger."—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Colchurche, to the use of which church he leaves twenty shillings for his "layestall." To each of twelve poor men to carry twelve "staffe-torches" at his burial a gown ready made of "mantell frise" and eightpence in money. To the livery of his company attending his funeral six pounds for a dinner. Bequests to the inmates of hospitals and prisons of money, coal, &c. To Richard Chamberleyn his son [in law] and his daughter, wife of the said Richard, and their children, to his cousin William Downe of Yawlynge, co. Kent, tanner, Margery his sister, living at Madestone, co. Kent, Margaret Aloham his sister, and others, he leaves money and gowns. To the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Company of Iremongers in London his messuage called "the signe of the horsehed" in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate, beneath the inn called "the signe of the Sarazeins head," together with the alley called "the horsehedd alley," and also his tenement called "the signe of the shippe" in the parish of S. Mildred in the Poultry; to hold the same to their own use for ever, charged with the observance of his obit, with specified gifts. To Margery his wife he leaves all his other lands and tenements within the City for life, so long as she remain unmarried; remainder to the aforesaid Richard. Also to his wife his leasehold shops lying by Colchurche, on condition she

<sup>1</sup> Eton.



occupy the same and do not alienate them ; remainders over upon  
decease or remarriage. Dated 4 August, A.D. 1556.

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Roll 248 (136).

## ANNO 4 & 5 PHILIP AND MARY.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop [11 Nov.].*

**Laxton** (SIR WILLIAM), Knt. and Alderman.<sup>1</sup> — Bequests to the Hospital of S. Bartholomew, Christ's Hospital, and to the inmates of various prisons. To the Company of Grocers he leaves ten pounds to make them a dinner at his burial. To several of his former servants, the deputy of his ward, and others, a black gown respectively. To William Laxton of Gretton, "mydlesonne" of Thomas Laxton, Thomas, another son of the same, Alice and Agnes their sisters, to Thomas, son of Robert Laxton of Gretton, and to Robert, Henry, William, Richard, and Edward, brothers of the aforesaid Thomas, to Crystian Webster of Owndell,<sup>2</sup> widow, William Presgrave of London, haberdasher, his servants, and others, he leaves divers sums of money, gold rings, &c. To "my lorde" Mayor of London, the Swordbearer, to Sir Thomas White, Knt. and Alderman, and others, he gives respectively a black gown. The Lord Mayor and Aldermen to dine at his house on the day of his funeral. To Nicholas Luddington his wife's son, Johane Machell his wife's daughter, wife of John Machell, Alderman,<sup>3</sup> and Anne, wife of Thomas Lodge, Alderman,<sup>4</sup> another daughter of his wife, he leaves basins and ewers. After the decease of Dame Johane his wife his manor called "Rose hall" in Sarrett,<sup>5</sup> co. Herts, and all his other lands and tenements in the same place, are to go to Nicholas Luddington aforesaid, and his lands and tenements in Stoke and Naylond in the counties of Suffolk and Essex to Anne, wife of Thomas Lodge aforesaid. To William Mayson his tenements in the parish of Aldermary in the City of London. Dated 17 July, A.D. 1556.

By codicil he devises to the Wardens and Commonalty of the

<sup>1</sup> Of Langbourne and Lime Street  
Wards.

<sup>2</sup> Oundle, co. Northampton.

<sup>3</sup> Of Vintry Ward.

<sup>4</sup> Of Cheap Ward.

<sup>5</sup> Sarraatt.

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Mistery of Grocers within the City of London certain lands, tenements, &c., in the parish of S. Swithin at London Stone, and in Sherborne Lane, S. Nicholas Lane, Abchurch Lane, Candlewyckstrete, Eastchepe, and elsewhere in the said City, upon condition they take proceedings to obtain at the hands of the King and Queen the messuage or tenement late called "the Guilde or fraternity howse" in Owndell for the purpose of a school house, provide a master and usher for teaching grammar at a specified stipend, and also appoint seven poor honest men dwelling in Owndell to be "beademen" for him in the said messuage or house called "the free grammer Scole Howse of me the sayd S<sup>r</sup> William Laxton, Knight,"<sup>1</sup> providing them with free lodging and paying each of them eightpence weekly. Dated 22 July, A.D. 1556.

Roll 249 (18).

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*Monday the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

Ettes (WILLIAM), girdler.—Has already given to each of his children as much as their child's part would amount to; what is left is not so much as he would have given to his wife nor so much as she deserves, he therefore disposes of his lands and goods in form following:—To Margaret his wife certain lands, tenements, &c., in the city and town of Brystowll, and his messuage and garden in Churchestre in the parish of Westham, co. Essex, absolutely; also his dwelling-house and adjoining tenement in Frydaystrete in the parish of S. Matthew in the City of London for life, with remainder to William and Alexander his sons. To the Warden and Fellowship of Gyrdelers of the City of London twenty shillings for a recreation among such as should attend his exequies in their liveries. To Laurence Otwell and Elizabeth

<sup>1</sup> The school and almshouses are still maintained by the Grocers' Company. When first the Company took possession of the property here devised the rental only amounted to 50*l.* per annum, and other sums specified in the codicil to 38*l.* per annum. At the present day the property brings in about 4,000*l.* per annum. In 1843 an information was filed by the Attorney-General, at the relation of several of the inhabitants of Oundle, seeking to have the whole increased rents applied to the charitable

purposes contained in the will (*Attorney-General v. the Grocers' Company*, 6 Beaven, 526). This information was dismissed with costs. The Company, notwithstanding this, have not availed themselves of what they could justly claim, as is shown by their Return to the Livery Companies Commission of 1880, where their expenditure on capital account upon the school within the preceding eight years is stated to have exceeded 11,000*l.*, with a further prospective outlay of 24,000*l.*

his wife, the testator's daughter, and others he gives black gowns.  
Dated 1 November, A.D. 1550. Roll 249 (33).

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# ANNO 5 & 6 PHILIP AND MARY.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Leodegarius, Bishop [2 Oct.].*

**Dobson (WILLIAM)**, "talloughchaundler."—To Katherine his wife all his lands, tenements, &c., in the City of London and realm of England for life; remainders over. To his son-in-law James Stoke, goldsmith, and to William Nooke, goldsmith, the reversion of tenements in Tower Street. To William Rowkyn, "cowper," and Agnes, wife of the same, the reversion of houses, &c., in the parish of S. Andrew Hubberde. To William, son of John Dobson his brother, tenements in the parish of S. Dunstan in the East. Dated 7 September, A.D. 1558. Roll 249 (60).

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Watson (JOHN)**, clothworker.—To be buried in the church of Aldermarye "under the place wheras the lampe dyd hange under the greate stone," if so be he die within ten miles of London. To Richard Maunsell, Christopher Jackson, and others he leaves divers goods, comprising his gown furred with budge and a "Jerkyn of Cremesyn velvett with slevs of Crymsyn satten," a "Jerkyn of tawnye velvet" with sleeves of the same, and his "foxe furred gowne," also two hundred "handelles"<sup>1</sup> and a thousand "tasylls" or "tassilles"<sup>2</sup> and gilt spoons. To Katherine his wife his house, shop, &c., in Basing Lane in the parish of Aldermary for life; remainder to the Mayor and Commonalty and Chamberlain of the City of London and their successors for the maintenance of their conduit pipes and water-course. Also to his aforesaid wife certain other tenements in the same lane and parish for life, with remainder to the Master, Wardens, and Company of the Clothworkers of London and their successors, charged with the yearly

<sup>1</sup> Can this mean hand-ells or cloth-measures? The great number seems to be against such an interpretation.

<sup>2</sup> Thistles, now called "teasels," used for carding wool in the place of cards of iron, which were found less advantageous. According to Stow, a piece of

land in Bishopsgate Ward called "Tasel Close" was planted with them ('Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 63). In order to encourage home production of cloth, in 1326 the King forbade the exportation of teasels and fuller's earth (Riley's 'Memorials,' p. 150).

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payment of twenty shillings to the poor of the aforesaid parish,<sup>1</sup> and the residue to poor freemen of the company, the same being distributed the week before Christmas. Dated 16 December, A.D. 1555. Roll 249 (67).

## ANNO 1 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Ettys** (ALEXANDER), clothworker.—To Margaret Ettys his mother all his goods, movable and immovable, and his messuage in the parish of S. Matthew in Frydaystrete. Dated 13 March, A.D. 1557. Roll 250 (9).

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1558-9.

*Monday next before the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

**Judde**<sup>2</sup> (SIR ANDREW), Knt. and Alderman.—To be buried in the parish church of S. Helen near Busshopesgate, near Agnes his late wife. To Dame Mary Judde his wife he leaves, in satisfaction of jointure or dower, his manors of Esshetisforde, otherwise Asshford, and Esture, co. Kent, his manor of Bardon, co. Herts, and his messuages, &c., in the town, parish, and fields of Barons, co. Surrey, to hold the same for life; remainders to John and Richard his sons in tail. Also to John his son lands and tenements in the parishes of Spenshurst and Spellyurste, co. Kent, known by the name of "Coddess," certain others in Bydborough, co. Kent, his manor of Downe, co. Kent, and lands and tenements in Cowdame, co. Kent. To the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity of Corpus Christi of the Craft or Mystery of Skynners of the City of London he leaves his close of pasture called "Sandehilles,"<sup>3</sup> situate on the backside of Holbourne in the parish of S. Pancras in co. Middlesex, being of the value of thirteen pounds six shillings and eightpence; his messuage in the "olde Swanne

<sup>1</sup> The sum of 12*l.*, Mr. Hare reported in 1860, continued to be paid to the churchwardens of the parish of S. Mary Aldermay, and the residue was distributed, with other charitable gifts, to the poor of the Company on S. Thomas's Eve.

<sup>2</sup> Citizen and skinner; Alderman of Farringdon Without and Bridge Wards; Sheriff, 1544; Mayor, 1550-1.

<sup>3</sup> It appears from Mr. Hare's Report

to the Charity Commissioners in 1864 that this estate was situate on the south side of the New Road (now the Euston Road) in the parish of S. Pancras, and extended from Tonbridge Street on the east to Burton Street on the west and Leigh Street on the south (Appendix to Report of Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. iv. p. 327).

Alley" in Thames Street in the parish of S. Laurence Pultney, divers messuages in the parishes of All Hallows in "Graces strete," S. Mary Axe, S. Peter in Cornhill, and an annuity of ten pounds issuing from his tenement called "the Bell" in "Graces strete" aforesaid, to hold the same in trust for the maintenance of a free grammar school at "Tonbridge,"<sup>1</sup> co. Kent, lately erected and founded by the testator, paying to the schoolmaster twenty pounds and to the usher eight pounds yearly, and charged with the payment of eightpence weekly to each of six poor almsmen living in his almshouses within the close of S. Helen's aforesaid, and with the distribution of coals yearly to the same to the value of twenty-five shillings and fourpence. The "overplus," after payment of all charges, expenses of keeping the premises in repair, &c., is to be to the use and behoof of the said company, "to order and dispose at their wills and pleasures." Dated 2 September, A.D. 1558.

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Roll 250 (20).

*Monday next before F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

Horne (ROBERT), "bruer."—To Beatrix his wife his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Giles without Crepulgate and within the lordship of "Walkham stowe,"<sup>2</sup> co. Middlesex, for life; remainders, as to his freeholds in the City, to Robert his son and to his child *en ventre sa mère*, with further remainder to the Master and Wardens of the Mistery of Bruers, charged with the maintenance of a chantry. His copyholds in "Walkham stowe," after the decease of his wife, are to go to his child *en ventre sa mère*, and, under certain circumstances, to Agnes his daughter. Dated 30 August, A.D. 1517.—The above is immediately followed by a will disposing of his goods and chattels, including a velvet "dublett," which he leaves to John Sadler his brother-in-law. Dated 30 August, A.D. 1517.

Roll 250 (23).

*Monday next before F. of SS. Tiburcius and Valerian [14 April].*

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Hastings (RICHARD), wax-chandler.—To Rubyn his "baze" son,

<sup>1</sup> This grammar school was founded by letters patent of 7 Edward VI. (1553), to be called "the Free Grammar School of Sir Andrew Judd." Particulars as to its foundation, endowment, &c., are set out at some length by Herbert

(*'Livery Companies,'* 1836, ii. 332-46), and also in Mr. Hare's Report to the Charity Commissioners already mentioned.

<sup>2</sup> Walthamstow.

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begotten and born of the body of Margaret Clerk, late of Fevershame, certain tenements in S. Swythune's Lane in the parish of S. Swythune at London Stone in tail; remainder to his cousin John, son of Andrew Jucent of Halden, co. Kent, husbandman, one of the "proctors of tharches," in tail male; remainder to John Hornby the younger, the "baze" son of John Hornby the elder, "merchaunttailor," in tail male; remainder to the poor in the almshouse at Croydon called "the lyttle almes howse." Also to the aforesaid John Jucent a certain tenement in the town of Fevershame, co. Kent. His wife Mary to enjoy the issues and profits of his messuages in London so long as she remain unmarried. Among other bequests are the following:—To James Ryvers, of the Custom House, London, he leaves his gown of "peuke" lined with buckram and faced with "tawnye Taffeta," also his bows and arrows with "tyllers cases," and all manner of necessities to them. To Mark Lake, one of the Queen's "walltermen," his gown of "browne blew" with long sleeves lined with black cotton and faced with black fur. To Mary his wife a "neste of Bowelles" with a cover, or else a "neste of Goblettes gylte" with a cover, whichever she may choose. To Richard Hudson's wife the lease of her house which he had in pawn, she to pay twenty shillings. Dated 10 January, A.D. 1558.

Roll 250 (30).

*Monday next before F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and M. [20 June].*

**Nuttall (WILLIAM)**, "marchaunte Taylor."—To be buried in his parish church of S. Sepulchre. To Matthew Percyvall, Hugh Welshe, and others, various articles of apparel, comprising his best velvet nightcap, his nightgown and "workedaie Jackett," his velvet "doblett," single gowns, and his "foxe furred" gown. To John, son of George Depup, "inholder," he leaves all his tenements in "Holbourne crosse streete," charged with the payment of twenty pounds for the repair of the highway from "grayes ynnelane unto Battyll brydge" where necessary. Dated 30 December, A.D. 1549.

Roll 250 (44).

*Monday the Feast of S. Leodegarius, Bishop [2 Oct.].*

**Southwood (WILLIAM)**, goldsmith. — As feoffee in trust of

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certain lands and tenements formerly belonging to Sir Martin Bowes, and situate in the parish of S. Mildred in the Poultry and in S. Matthew's Alley, Westchepe, in the parish of S. Matthew in Friday Street, and in execution of the will of the said Martin, he leaves his said lands and tenements to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Art and Mistery of the Goldsmiths, to hold the same in trust for a sermon to be preached in the church of S. Mary Wolnoth on S. Martin's Day [11 November] or thereabouts, and for certain pecuniary payments and entertainments to those present on that day; for the support of an almsman at Goldsmiths' Hall, to be called "Sir Martin Bowes's almsman," for whom a blue gown is to be provided every third year, according to the custom of the said company; for the distribution of bread every Sunday at the church of S. Mary aforesaid, and the churches of Our Lady at Wolwich and S. James at Northcrey, co. Kent. The residue to be devoted to the repair of the tenements aforesaid, and for the relief and maintenance of the almsmen and the poor of the said commonalty.<sup>1</sup> Dated 23 October, A.D. 1557.

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**Southwood** (WILLIAM), goldsmith. — To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery and Company of the Goldsmiths within the City of London he leaves his tenements in S. Matthew's Alley in the parish of S. Matthew in Friday Street, to the only use of the said wardens and commonalty and their successors for ever. Dated 27 January, A.D. 1555.

Roll 250 (62).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Robiout**<sup>2</sup> (LAURENCE), girdler. — To the Company of Girdelers in London an annual rent of four pounds, issuing from lands and tenements in the borough of Southwark, so long as the said Company of Girdelers shall remain still girdelers and be not transported to any other "Company of Fellowship"; the same to

<sup>1</sup> This endowment and those of Sir Martin Bowes and Roger Mundie were the subject of an information filed in 1832 against the Company. The matter was referred to the same Master to whom the charity of Thomas atte Hay (*supra*, p. 377) had been referred, and he certified his approval of the application of the rents and profits of the property

devised, and of the manner of keeping separate accounts opened to the several testators, which the Company had then only recently introduced (Appendix to Livery Companies Com. Report, 1884, vol. iv. pp. 287-9).

<sup>2</sup> In the record of probate the name is twice spelt "Robiohn."

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be bestowed in specified sums in relief of the poor of the company, upon the general great dinner, &c. Also to the said company he gives his piece of silver and gilt with a "B" upon it, and his black "nutt" garnished with silver gilt, upon condition that if they have occasion to dispose of the same, and there be any person of his name in the company, such a one is to have the refusal of the said piece and "nutt" before any other. To Jone his wife his dwelling-house so long as she remain unmarried or marry a "mere girdell Cutter" and exercise the occupation or "mystery" of girdle-cutting whilst living therein; remainders over to John Robiout, John Leach, and others. Bequests to Agnes Robiout and Jone Robiout his servants, charged on his tenement called "the Cocke and the Key" in the parish of S. Dunstan in the West. Among other bequests are the following:—To Geffrey his brother his "cassocke of Worsted," his new "tawny Satten doublett," and his best pair of hose; to Roger Rastell his second livery gown faced with "foynes," with the "whoode"; to Humfrey Androwes his "holyday cassocke of clothe"; to Nicholas Grene his late apprentice his "workeday cassocke" and his doublet of worsted; and to Roger Rastell one of his "Bowes." To others he leaves white and tanned hides, "anvildes" and hammers, his "graven pounces," a scouring knife, and lead pieces. The reversion of his tenement in Ludgate he leaves to Agnes Robiout. Mention made of "the Swanne" at Ludgate Hill. Dated 8 October, A.D. 1558.

Roll 250 (64).

**Bowier (ROBERT)**, citizen and "Bowier."—To be buried in the parish church of S. Mary Matfellow, otherwise called "Whit-chappell," without Algate in the county of Middlesex. Bequests to the furniture of the said church; to his cousin Letice, wife of John Blooke, grocer; his cousin Helyn, wife of Robert Collis, grocer; his servants and others. To William his son he leaves messuages situate within the great gate of the late house called "the Minoras"<sup>1</sup> without Algate. To Margery his daughter, wife of John Hardinge, salter, messuages in Estham, co. Essex, Hakeney marshe in the parish of Hakeney, co. Middlesex, and in

<sup>1</sup> The Minories, so called from the Clares, situate near Tower Hill; surrendered to Henry VIII. in 1539 (Stow).



the Highstrete in the parish of S. Mary Matfellow. Also to his said son and daughter other tenements in Grubstrete in the parish of S. Giles without Creplegate. Dated 17 October, A.D. 1557.

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# ANNO 2 ELIZABETH.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

**Clarvaux or Clervys (RALPH)**, grocer.—To the poor of Gracechurch parish forty shillings yearly for coals, charged on his house called “the Bell howse” in the parish of All Saints in Lumbardstrete and being in Gracestrete. After the decease of his wife a further sum of fifty shillings yearly, charged on the same tenement, is to be expended upon the maintenance of one poor man’s child at S. Nicholas’s Hospital<sup>1</sup> at Cambridge, with the view of becoming a preacher of God’s word. Bequests to his sister’s children and others of his relations. He also wills that Thomas Grene, a child which he had kept out of charity, be provided for until fit to be put out as an apprentice. The residue of his goods he leaves to Annes his wife. Dated 2 August, A.D. 1551.

Roll 250 (87).

*Monday next before the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

**Nicolson (THOMAS)**, cordwainer.—To the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Craft or Mistery of Cordwayners within the City of London an annual rent of ten pounds out of his “Key,” commonly called “Smartes Key,” in the parish of S. Mary at Hill, towards the relief of the poor of the craft, charged with the yearly payment of five pounds to the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Clement by Estchepe<sup>2</sup> to distribute among the poor of that parish and to pay certain sums

<sup>1</sup> Probably refers to what is now King’s College, Cambridge, within the precincts of which there formerly stood the churches of S. Nicholas and S. John Baptist or Zachary. In the Statutes of Eton College (*circa* 1446), King’s College is styled “the Kyng’s College of Owr Ladye and Seynt Nicholas in Cambridge” (Le Keux’s ‘Memorials of Cambridge,’ 1847, ii. pp. 2, 3, note); and the letters patent 21 Henry VI., p. 2, m. 4, granting a charter to this college, have

as a marginal note “*pro collegio Sancti Nicolai Cantebriegg*” (‘Documents rel. to Univ. and Colleges of Camb.’ 1852, vol. ii. p. 471).

<sup>2</sup> Mr. Hare reported in 1860 to the City Parochial Charities Commissioners that the Commissioners of Customs were in the habit of paying 5*l.* a year, without deduction, to the parish, and this sum was disposed of in Christmas gifts to the poor.

A.D. 1559-60. thereout to the Chamberlain of the City for seeing that his will is properly carried out. To Ide his wife he gives a life interest in the above "Key"; remainder to the master, wardens, &c., aforesaid, subject to charges, for the purchase of "a more apte and better common howse or hall" than that which they then possessed. To William and Thomas Smyth, sons of Margery his daughter, and to Margery, wife of William Mayre, his daughter, he leaves annuities. To the newly erected Hospital of Christ's Church five pounds. Also to the master, wardens, &c., aforesaid he leaves the sum of forty pounds, to be lent on good security to poor young men of the mistery to occupy withal, those that have been his apprentices to have the preferment. Dated 29 July, A.D. 1559. Roll 250 (89).

*Monday next after the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

Legat (ISABELLA, widow of JOHN, baker), formerly wife of John Newton, citizen and "Pulter."—To be buried near the said John Newton in the north chapel of the church of All Hallows in Lombard Street. Certain tenements formerly belonging to her first husband in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to providing coal called "Cart coles" for the poor of the aforesaid parish, and gifts to inmates of certain hospitals and prisons, &c. To Agnes Alred her leasehold dwelling-house called "the Cardinalls Hatt" in the parish of All Hallows aforesaid. Bequests to the poor of the parish of S. Botolph without Bishopsgate out of her leaseholds in Checker Alley in the said parish; to "the Company of London" and the Company of Bakers for recreations at her burial. Her customary lands and tenements, meadows, &c., in the manors of Hakeneye and Stebunheth, co. Middlesex, to be sold, and the proceeds devoted to the repair of highways between Hakeney and London, between Busshoppeshatfeld and Barnet, and between the "Ringe Crosse" there and Islyngton, also to the relief of the poor of Hakeney and other charitable objects. Dated 25 July, A.D. 1554. Roll 250 (90).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

Whetstone (ROBERT), haberdasher.—To Robert his son and

heir all his lands and tenements in co. York in tail; remainder to Barnarde, his eldest son by Margaret his present wife, in tail; remainder to George, brother of the said Barnarde. Also to the said Barnarde his manor of Woodford, co. Essex, in tail; remainder to John and Francys his sons. Also to George his son his tenements in Cheapeside and Gutter Lane in tail; remainder to his other sons. To John his son his lands and tenements in Ratehye<sup>1</sup> and Islye Walton,<sup>2</sup> co. Leicester, and other property in the county of Stafford. To his child *en ventre sa mère* he leaves divers estates in co. Kent, as well as at Bristowe, Taunton, and Frome, co. Somerset. Also to Frauncys his aforesaid son his lands and tenements in the parish of Stokegurssye,<sup>3</sup> co. Somerset. To James his brother his lands and tenements in the parish of Hanneworth, co. Middlesex. Notwithstanding the above devises, his wife Margaret is to enjoy a life estate in those lands and tenements left to Barnard, George, John, Frauncys, and to his infant *en ventre sa mère*. Dated 9 August, A.D. 1557.

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Roll 250 (160).

# ANNO 3 ELIZABETH.

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*Monday the Feast of S. Hilary [13 Jan.].*

**Staveley (JAMES)**, vintner.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Wolnoth. To the Master and Wardens of the Mistery of Vinteners within the City of London he leaves twenty pounds, to be bestowed on some house or land for the use of thirteen poor people belonging to the almshouse in Vinteners' Hall.<sup>4</sup> Bequests for recreations on the day of his burial, and to poor prisoners in Newgate, and the compters of the Poultry and Bread Street. To twelve poor men out of the parishes of S. Mary Wolnoth and S. Michael in Crokedlane he leaves black gowns of "Bristowe freese." To Elizabeth Jake his sister, Anne, daughter of his brother Allen, and others, he leaves divers sums of money and goods, comprising his great "Turkas rynge." To Johanne his wife all his lands, tenements, &c., in the City of

<sup>1</sup> Rathby.

<sup>2</sup> Isley-Walton.

<sup>3</sup> Stogursey.

<sup>4</sup> The almshouses established under the will of Guy Shuldham, dated 7 Nov., 1446. Shuldham's will is not enrolled, but the terms of it are set out in the will of John Porter, Roll 224 (17).

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London for life. To Leonard Jake his "nevey" the reversion of a tenement in Crokedlane called "the Swanne" in tail; remainders over. To Robert Diconson the reversion of his dwelling-house and house adjoining called "the Sonne" in Lumberdstrete in the parish of S. Mary Wolnoth, charged with the payment of fifty pounds to William Staveley. Also to the aforesaid Leonard Jake he leaves the reversion of his interest in the demesnes, &c., of the late dissolved abbey called "Eccleston Abbey,"<sup>1</sup> co. York, together with lands, tenements, &c., in Arkyngarth Dale,<sup>2</sup> Stratford Mylles, Barnardes Castell Milles, and the little mill belonging to the said late abbey. To William Staveley his apprentice the reversion of his term of years in the "Blacke Egle" in Thamistrete in the parish of All Hallows the Little for life; remainders over. Dated 7 November, A.D. 1551. Roll 250 (182).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

**Awsten** (ROBERT), the elder, grocer.—Bequests to Christ's Hospital, to the Company of Grocers in London for a dinner, to his servants and others. To Elizabeth and Dorkes his daughters divers chattels, including goblets, a gilt "sault," and all his "pilloweberes";<sup>3</sup> also leaseholds in Little Morefeld. To George [blank], one of the Saunder-beaters<sup>4</sup> at Grocers' Hall, ten shillings. To Richard his son twelve spoons with gilt "knoppes," one spoon "clene gilt," and three stone pots garnished with silver; and to Robert his eldest son three "hanse pottes"<sup>5</sup> parcel gilt with covers. Also to the said Robert certain messuages in the parish of S. Mary Colchurch which he purchased of the late King Henry VIII. to hold in tail; remainders over to Richard, Elizabeth, and Dorkes aforesaid, and others. Also to his son Richard his dwelling-house, &c., in the parish of S. Stephen, Colmanstrete, and a messuage called "the black Swanne" in Lothbury, in tail;

<sup>1</sup> Egglestone Abbey in the North Riding of Yorkshire; an abbey of Premonstratensian Canons, dedicated to S. Mary and S. John Baptist.

<sup>2</sup> Or Argengarthdale.

<sup>3</sup> "Pillow-beres (cases) of Reynes" occur in the 'Ceremonies and Services at Court, temp. Henry VII.,' cited by Riley ('Liber Alb.,' Anglo-Norm. Glos-

sary, s.v. Reynes). Among the so-called relics with which Chaucer's Pardoner endeavoured to impose upon the credulous was

a pilwebeer

Which, that he saide, was our lady veyl.  
Prol. 'Cant. Tales,' 694-5.

<sup>4</sup> Beaters of sandal-wood.

<sup>5</sup> Can these be handled pots?

remainders over. Dated 6 January, A.D. 1558.—Bequests for sermons at his burial and other times.

Roll 250 (184).

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# ANNO 4 ELIZABETH.

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1561-2.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Brigid, Virgin [1 Feb.].*

**Hill (ROWLAND)**, Knt. and Alderman.—His will as feoffee in trust of the capital messuage wherein Sir Richard Gresham and Isabel, wife of the said Richard, lately dwelt, situate in Mylkstrete in the parish of S. Laurence in the Old Jewry, as well as of other messuages in Lade Lane, otherwise Ladde Lane, in the aforesaid parish and the parish of S. Michael in Woodstrete. Appointment, under the trust, of a life estate in the above property to Dame Isabel Gresham aforesaid; remainder to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Mercers of the City of London, charged with the distribution of a sum of nine pounds ten shillings, or its value in coals, to poor householders dwelling in the parishes of S. Laurence Jewry, S. Mary Aldermanbury, and S. Foster in Foster Lane, in manner as directed, the renter warden receiving yearly out of the said sum six shillings and eightpence for his pains, and the clerk three shillings and fourpence.<sup>1</sup> In case of default the property to go over to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Art or Mistery of Goldsmiths of the aforesaid City. Dated 10 December, A.D. 1560.

Roll 251 (98).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Alphege, Bishop [19 April].*

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**White<sup>2</sup> (SIR THOMAS)**, Knt. and Alderman.—To the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of the City of London he leaves six

<sup>1</sup> The Company reported to the Livery Companies Commission of 1880 (Appendix to Report, 1884, vol. ii. p. 109) that it came into possession of the premises in 1560, and the rental was then 14*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*, out of which the sum of 9*l.* 10*s.* was paid to the poor of the three parishes here mentioned, and 6*s.* 8*d.* to the renter warden and 3*s.* 4*d.* to the clerk, making 10*l.* and leaving a balance of 4*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*; and further, that the sum of 3*l.* is now paid annually to the overseers of each of the three parishes about

Christmas, and distributed by them among poor persons, the renter warden and clerk receiving also their specific sums.

<sup>2</sup> Said to have come from Rickmansworth; Alderman of Cornhill Ward; Sheriff, 1547; Mayor, 1553-4. A member of the Court of the Merchant Taylors' Company. In anticipation of the foundation of the Company's school in the City of London, he founded S. John's College, Oxford.

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and a half acres of land in Wildmershe in the parish of Westham, co. Essex, of which he had been jointly seised with others; to hold to the said Mayor and Commonalty, &c., and to their successors for ever, to their only and proper use. Dated 17 March, A.D. 1561.

Roll 251 (126).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Sturgeon (JOHN)**, haberdasher.—To the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London a parcel of land in a field called “Fynnesbury field,” in the parish of S. Giles without Creplegate, to their only and proper use. Dated 17 March, A.D. 1561.

Roll 251 (129).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Wilcockes (JOHN)**, citizen and cook of London.—His goods and chattels to be divided into three parts, according to the laudable custom of the City, whereof one part he leaves to Mawdlyne his wife, another to be divided among his children, viz., Richard, Peter, Elizabeth, Sarah, Maudelyn, and John, and the third part he reserves to himself, to be expended in gifts to the poor of the parish of S. Bennet Fink and others, as directed. Bequests to the Master and Wardens of his Company of the Mystery of Cooks within the City for a dinner in their common hall; also to Johan Dobbys his “naturall” sister, and others.

Touching his tenements, he leaves all his tenements in the parish of S. Bennet Fink to Richard his eldest son in tail, saving to Mawdelyn his wife her dwelling within the same rent free; remainders to his other sons and daughters. To his cousin Stephen Trigell, citizen and cook, he leaves a tenement in the town of Estloo,<sup>2</sup> co. Cornwall. Dated 16 January, A.D. 1561.

Memorandum that on the 20th April, A.D. 1562, the testator further left to his aforesaid wife one hundred pounds in gold, and a nest of goblets with a cover of silver all gilt, which he before had given to her as a new year’s gift.

Roll 251 (143).

*Monday next before F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and C. [13 Oct.].*

**Swane (JOHN)**, of the town of Bromley, co. Kent, draper.—To

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 651.

| <sup>2</sup> East Looe, on the south coast.

he buried in the parish church of S. Peter, Bromley. To John his eldest son his mansion house and tenements in the parish of S. Mary Abchurch in S. Laurence Pownteney Lane, and his leasehold farm called "Shorams" in the parish of Beckenam, co. Kent, in tail; remainder to Edith and Agnes his daughters. To Anne his wife his house at Bromley called "the taberde" for life, with similar remainder; and a field called "Barnet." Bequests to his daughters' children, his servants, and others. Dated 13 February, A.D. 1557. Roll 251 (166).

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*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude [28 Oct.].*

**Mundy**<sup>1</sup> (ROGER), goldsmith.—His will as feoffee in trust of Sir Martin Bowes. To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Art or "Mystery" of the Goldsmiths in the City of London and their successors he leaves a certain great messuage with twenty-two gardens, &c., in the parish of S. Botolph without Bishopsgate,<sup>2</sup> so that out of the issues and profits they relieve the Ward of Langborne from payment of the sum of twenty pounds ten shillings, with which the ward is charged for every fifteenth granted to the king;<sup>3</sup> one half of the residue being distributed among the poor of the said Company of Goldsmiths, and the other half devoted to the maintenance of their hall. Dated 12 August, A.D. 1562.—By codicil he leaves to the wardens and commonalty aforesaid certain tenements adjoining the above great messuage for similar uses. Roll 251 (171).

<sup>1</sup> An abstract of his will is printed in Mr. Hare's Report on the charities of the Goldsmiths' Company (Appendix to Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. iv. pp. 288, 290).

<sup>2</sup> The property consisted of Primrose Street and Primrose Court, Bishopsgate. In 1870 the trustees were authorized to sell eleven houses, numbered from 25 to 35, both inclusive, situate in Primrose Street, for 9,325*l*. One moiety of this sum was invested in Consols, in the name of the Official Trustees of Charitable Funds.

<sup>3</sup> Originally the amount of the tax of

a fifteenth was uncertain, being levied by assessments new made at every fresh grant of the Commons; but it was at length reduced to a certainty anno 8 Edward III., when, by virtue of the King's commission, the fifteenth part of the value of every borough, township, and city in the kingdom was assessed and recorded in the Exchequer for future occasions. Thenceforth, whenever the Commons granted the Crown a fifteenth, every parish at once knew the proportion it had to pay of the assessment as made in the year mentioned.

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## ANNO 5 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

**Garrat** (HENRY), haberdasher.—To Roger Trigg, gentleman, a messuage in the parish of S. Andrew in Holborn, saving a right of way for his tenants to a well in “Rylondes alley”; the said Roger paying to Margaret his wife an annual rent of four pounds, and to the testator<sup>1</sup> or his executors the sum of fifty pounds. Also to his aforesaid wife other tenements in the same parish for life; remainder to Alice, wife of Ralph Broke, for life; remainder to the Company of the Haberdashers of the City of London, that is to say, to the Bachelors of the company and their successors, by whatever name they be incorporate, upon condition they pay to the churchwardens of the parish church of S. Sepulchre without Newgate the sum of fifteen shillings towards the glazing of the middle aisle, and other sums for the poor in Flete Lane and the Old Bayly quarter, the repair of Clerkenwell Church, &c. Dated 14 January, 5 Elizabeth [A.D. 1562-3]. Roll 252 (30).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Mildred, Virgin [20 Feb.].*

**Sturgeon** (JOHN), haberdasher.—To the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London and their successors a piece of void ground in the parish of Christchurch within Newgate, lately called the “Graye fryers,” and two little houses called “the sheddes” near the said church, to their only use and behoof. Dated 14 November, A.D. 1562. Roll 252 (51).

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## ANNO 6 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next before F. of SS. Tiburcius and Valerian [14 April].*

**Sturgeon** (JOHN), haberdasher.—To the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London a parcel of land in a field in the parish of S. Giles without “Crepull gate,” in the county of Middlesex, called “Fynnesburye feilde,” to their only use and behoof. Dated 7 March, A.D. 1561. Roll 252 (71).

**Sturgeon** (JOHN), haberdasher.—To the Mayor, Commonalty,

<sup>1</sup> This payment to the testator seems to show that the devise was to take effect immediately after the execution of the will. This will and a few others were presumably enrolled during the lifetime of the testators.



and citizens of London a piece of void ground lately converted into gardens in the parish of Christchurch within Newgate, to their only and proper use and behoof. Dated 8 April, A.D. 1563.

Roll 252 (72).

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### ANNO 7 ELIZABETH.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Botill (RICHARD)**, "merchaunttaylor." — To the Master and Wardens of the Merchaunt Taylors of the Fraternity of S. John Baptist in the City of London and their successors certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Laurence Pountneye, parcel of the great messuage formerly belonging to John Heathe, esquire, to hold the same to their own use and behoof for ever. Dated 1 May, A.D. 1561.

Roll 253 (69).

**Waddington (RICHARD)**, merchant. — To the Master and Wardens of the Merchaunttaylor of the Fraternity of S. John Baptist an annual rent of four pounds, which he held as grantee in trust of Margaret Parson, widow, issuing out of tenements in Cornhill in the parish of S. Christopher. The said rent to be disposed of as follows:—Sixpence apiece to twenty poor people of the parish of S. Christopher aforesaid, and to forty poor people of the parish of S. Michael, Cornhill, at Christmas; seven shillings and sixpence to each of four maidens for their marriages, they being children or servants of some of the Mistery of Merchaunttaylor; thirteen shillings to as many poor freemen of the said art or mistery; five shillings to the clerk of the same, and two shillings to the beadle. Dated 10 December, 5 Elizabeth [A.D. 1562].

Roll 253 (70).

### ANNO 8 ELIZABETH.

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1566.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Lawrence (THOMAS)**, skinner. — To be buried in the church of S. Christopher at the Stockes. To his fellowship and company of Corpus Christi twenty shillings. To his daughter Jacomine, wife of Christopher Perte, "merchaunttaylor," he leaves his "nutt with a greate Lydde and bounde aboute with sylver," and nothing

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more, as she had already been advanced. Bequests of several rings. One half of the residue of his goods he leaves to Alice his wife, reserving the other half for himself. Dated 18 May, A.D. 1566. Roll 254 (62).

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## ANNO 10 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].<sup>1</sup>*

**Nycoll (JOHN)**, "Gyrdeler."—To the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London his new house situate within the precinct of the late house of the Grey Friars, to their only and proper use and behoof. Dated 28 December, A.D. 1567. Roll 255 (121).

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1568.

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Lewen (RICHARD)**, brewer.—To be buried in the church of S. Ethelburga within Bysshopesgate. His goods and chattels to be divided into three equal parts, according to the laudable custom, one of which he leaves to Johan his wife, another to John and William his sons, Margery, Sarah, and Agnes his daughters, and to his child *en ventre sa mère*, and the third part he reserves to himself. To Cuthbert and Jane Currell, his wife's children, he leaves five pounds respectively. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves his brewhouse called "the Vyne" for life; remainder in trust for sale for the benefit of his children. Dated 25 November, A.D. 1558. Roll 255 (144).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Bucklande (RICHARD)**, haberdasher.—To the Master and Wardens of the Art or Mistery of Haberdashers in the City of London certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Andrew in Holborn, to their own use and behoof for ever. This devise not to be set aside by any subsequent will unless expressly so declared therein. Dated 29 January, A.D. 1567. Roll 255 (171).

<sup>1</sup> There is some uncertainty as to the following will. There is probably an omission of the date of one session.

## ANNO 11 ELIZABETH.

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1568.*Monday the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Crymes** (RICHARD), haberdasher.—To be buried in the church of S. Laurence in the Old Jewry before his pew door. Bequest of one hundred pounds for two hundred poor maidens' marriages, and a similar sum for the repair of the highways in the City of London or within ten miles thereof. To the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London, Governors of Christ's Hospital, Brydewell, and S. Thomas's Hospital, he leaves forty pounds. Bequests also for coals for the poor of the parish of S. Laurence aforesaid and prisoners in the Compters. To the churchwardens and parishioners of the parish of Wytton,<sup>1</sup> co. Chester, one hundred pounds towards the maintenance of "the Crymesethe" and the bridge<sup>2</sup> of the town of Northewiche in the said parish of Witton, and a like sum for those of his own surname dwelling in and about Northewiche. To the sons of his son Ellys he leaves one hundred and twenty pounds. To Katherine Longe his granddaughter three hundred pounds, on condition she does not marry without first obtaining the assent of certain parties. To the Worshipful Company of Haberdashers of London the sum of twenty pounds to provide a dinner or repast for them. To the aforesaid Ellys he leaves his manor of Bucklande Monachorum, co. Devon, with rectory, advowson, &c., to hold the same in tail; remainder to Thomas his son in tail; remainder to Mary his daughter, wife of Thomas Chester. Also to the aforesaid Thomas his son the parsonages of Lubbenham and Sylbye,<sup>3</sup> co. Leicester, with advowsons, &c., in tail; remainders over. Also to Mary his daughter lands and tenements in Iseldon, *alias* Islington, in special tail; remainders over. Dated 12 September, A.D. 1565.—By schedule annexed to his testament he solemnly protests that he never received a casket containing five hundred pounds which was alleged and supposed to have been left in his hands by John Predyaux, late serjeant at law, notwithstanding his having been found guilty by a jury in an action brought against him by the administrators of the goods of the said John, in which action

<sup>1</sup> Witton-cum-Twambrooks, a parochial chapelry near Northwich.

<sup>2</sup> Probably a bridge spanning the river Weaver.

<sup>3</sup> Sileby.

**A.D.** for trespass he was most falsely found guilty of five hundred  
**1568.** marks of the said five hundred pounds. Roll 256 (7).

**A.D.** *Monday next before the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*  
**1568-9.**

**Noke** (WILLIAM), goldsmith.—His goods and chattels to be divided into three equal parts, according to the laudable custom, whereof he gives one part to Margaret his wife, a second part to John, William, and Thomas his sons, and the third part he reserves to himself for legacies, &c. Bequests to various individuals of sums of money and gold, &c., rings, and also to the poor children being nourished in Christ's Hospital. His wife to enjoy a life estate in his four messuages lately known as the "Rounde Howse," otherwise the "Backehowse," in the parish of S. Andrew Hubberde; remainder to John his son. Also to his said wife for life a tenement in the parish of S. Dunstan in the East, subject to certain charges; remainder to Thomas his son. Dated 26 August, A.D. 1568. Roll 256 (26).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Chad, Bishop [2 March].*

**Sturgeon** (JOHN), haberdasher.—To William Waiger, parson, and the churchwardens of the church of S. Benedict Gracechurche, an annuity or yearly rent of forty shillings issuing out of a tenement formerly belonging to Edward Clervaulx, citizen and writer of the court-letter, in the parish of S. Benedict aforesaid, the same to be employed by them according to the terms of a recent indenture between the testator and the aforesaid Edward. Dated 22 January, 11 Elizabeth [A.D. 1568-9]. Roll 256 (30).

**A.D.** *Monday next after the Feast of S. George, Martyr [23 April].*  
**1569.**

**Thomlynson** (THOMAS), otherwise called "Towreson," citizen and "merchauntayler."—To be buried in the church of S. Mildred in the Poultry. His goods and chattels to be divided into two equal parts, one of which he leaves to Elizabeth his wife, and the other he reserves to himself. Bequests to the aforesaid church and to poor householders within the parish, to the children and poor people in Christ's Hospital, the inmates of prisons and "counters," to the poor of his native parish of Cleytur,<sup>1</sup> co.

<sup>1</sup> Cleator.

Cumberland, &c.; also to Nicholas Towerson his brother, Thomas Crouche of Stondon, co. Herts, Margaret his sister-in-law, wife of John Bonde, and others. To the Right Worshipful the Master and Wardens of the Company of "Merchauntaylers" in London he leaves six pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence for a recreation in their Common Hall at his burial or at any other time; and to the Wardens Substitutes and sixteen men of the "Bachelers" Company of the "Merchauntaylers" forty shillings towards a recreation on the day of his burial or the day following. Bequests for repair of highways, more especially between Ware and Puckeridge, between the City of London and St. Albans, between Barnett and Baldocke, and between the City of London and Ware; also for sermons to be preached in the church of S. Mildred aforesaid. Also to Elizabeth his wife he leaves his messuage in the parish of S. Mildred for life, charged with supplying two cartloads of coal, at the price of sixteen shillings per load, to the poor of the said parish yearly in the coldest time of winter; remainder to the Master and Wardens of the "Merchauntaylers" of the Fraternity of S. John Baptist in the City under like condition, and further charged with the payment of twenty shillings yearly to Christ's Hospital for the maintenance of the children there.<sup>1</sup> Dated 6 April, A.D. 1567.

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Roll 256 (38).

Clarke or Clerke (THOMAS), draper.—To be buried in the church of Ware under the stone where lies Thomas Clerke his grandfather. To Rose Clerke his maiden he leaves, among other things, a "bedstede" which he had new bottomed with sackcloth, a feather bed, platters, dishes, "sawcers," a "chaffinge dishe," a "cobarde," &c. His house called the "horse shewe" to be sold as soon as Elizabeth Turke, his wife's daughter, shall come of age; a certain recognizance which is in the Chamber of London to be discharged out of the proceeds and the surplus divided between his wife and children. William Sherman, his wife's father,

<sup>1</sup> It appears from Mr. Hare's Report on the Company's charities made in 1861 that the property here devised was situate in S. Mildred's Court, Poultry, and had then recently been sold to the Goldsmiths' Company, who were the reversioners of a long lease of 999 years.

The Company continue to pay yearly the sum of 2*l.* 12*s.*, viz., 1*l.* 12*s.* to the churchwardens of S. Mildred and 1*l.* to Christ's Hospital (Appendix to Report Livery Companies Com., 1884, vol. iv. p. 386).

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appointed his overseer. To Jone his wife his house called "the Cheke" in Ware, with all his freeholds in the lordship of Ware, Amwell, and Thundrige, for life; remainder to Raffé his son. Dated 6 October, A.D. 1558. Roll 256 (40).

*Monday next before Feast of S. Edmund, K. and Conf. [20 Nov.].*

**Petyngar** or **Pettenger** (JOHN), clothworker.—To the Master and Wardens of the Guild or Fraternity of the Assumption of our Blessed Lady the Virgin of the Art or "Mystery" of Clothworkers in the City of London certain lands and tenements in Fanchurchestrete in the parish of All Hallows Stanyng, towards the maintenance and relief of the poor almsfolk of the said company.<sup>1</sup> Dated 20 July, A.D. 1566. Roll 256 (52).

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## ANNO 12 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next before Feast of S. Edward, K. and Conf. [5 Jan.].*

**Rixman** (WILLIAM), clothworker.—Bequest of three pounds to the Company of Clothworkers for the good will he bears to them. His goods, after payment of certain specific legacies and debts, he leaves to his wife and children. Bequests to his mother "Milner," his brother Thomas Browne, his brother John Milner, and others. Dated 6 October, A.D. 1568. Roll 256 (101).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Rowe** (THOMAS), Alderman.<sup>2</sup>—To Mary his wife lands and tenements in the parishes of Leighe and Chiddingstone, co. Kent, for life; remainders to William and Robert his sons in successive tail. To the Master and Wardens of the Merchaunttayllors of the Fraternity of S. John Baptist all his lands and tenements in the City of London, in trust to distribute yearly forty pounds among ten poor men of the Companies or Misteries of Clothworkers, Carpenters, Tylers, Playsterers, and Armorers within the City, to wit, to each person the yearly sum of four pounds, the residue to

<sup>1</sup> No mention of this charity appears to have been made either by Mr. Hare or by the Company itself in its Return to the Livery Companies Commission, 1880.

<sup>2</sup> Of Portsoken and Bishopsgate Wards. Besides benefactions under this will, he walled in a burial-ground for Bethlem Hospital (Stow).

be employed at the company's discretion.<sup>1</sup> In default of fulfilling the terms of the devise remainder over to the Mayor, Aldermen, and citizens of London, governors of the hospitals of Edward VI., viz., Christ's Hospital, Bridewell, and S. Thomas's Hospital, upon like condition, and to apply the residue to the use of Christ's Hospital. His lands and tenements in the county of Bedford, which in value surmount the third part of all his lands, tenements, &c., are to go to his heir-at-law, for livery and primer seisin thereof to be had and sued according to statute.<sup>2</sup> To Henry his son his lands and tenements not otherwise disposed of to hold in tail male; remainders to William and Robert his sons in tail male. Dated 11 August, A.D. 1565. Roll 256 (105).

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## ANNO 13 ELIZABETH.

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*Monday next before F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

Laylonde (THOMAZINE), widow, citizen and freewoman of the City of London.—To the parson and churchwardens of the parish church of S. Michael le Querne and their successors a certain messuage in the said parish, in trust for poor householders of the said parish,<sup>3</sup> subject to the payment of an annuity to Edward Potter her late servant, citizen and minstrel. Dated 23 January, A.D. 1570. Roll 256 (122).

<sup>1</sup> The Company, says Mr. Hare in his Report in 1862, hold property in Thames Street under the testator's will, and apply 40*l.* a year, in pensions of 4*l.* each, to two members of each of the companies named. On the occasion of any vacancy two candidates are chosen by the particular company, who attend before the Charity Committee with the headle of the Company, and the Committee select one as the new pensioner (Appendix to Report Livery Companies Com., 1884, vol. iv. p. 384).

<sup>2</sup> *Primer seisin* was a feudal burden only incident to the king's tenants *in capite*, and not to those who held of inferior or mesne lords. It was a right which the king had, when any such tenants died, to receive of the heir, provided he were of full age, one whole year's profits of the tenant's estate if in immediate possession, and half a year's profits if in reversion. In cases where the heir was under age, the superior lord

exercised wardship over him until he arrived at the age of twenty-one if a male, and sixteen if a female. Upon arriving at these ages, the male or female heir might sue out his or her livery or *ousterlemain*, that is to say, the delivery of their lands out of their guardian's hands. The incidents of tenure *in capite* and by knights' service were abolished by stat. 12 Car. II. c. 24.

<sup>3</sup> This charity as well as that under the will of Thomas Walker (see next will) were made the subject of an information *ex officio*, filed by the Attorney-General in 1840; and in 1854 a scheme was prepared for the administration of both charities and approved, the costs of obtaining which practically extinguished the charities for a period of about fifteen years. (See Mr. Hare's Report on the charities of the parish of S. Michael le Quern, 1854, in Appendix to Report City Paroch. Charities Com., 1880, vol. iii. pp. 286-8.)

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**Walker (THOMAS)**, "merchaunte Tailor."—To the parson and churchwardens of the parish church of S. Michael le Querne and their successors certain messuages in the parishes of S. Mildred in "Brodestreete" and S. Thomas the Apostle, in trust for poor householders of the parish of S. Michael aforesaid. Dated 16 December, A.D. 1550. Roll 256 (123).

*Monday the Feast of S. Gregory, Bishop [12 March].*

**Donkin (ROBERT)**, "merchaunttayllor."—To the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael in Cornhill and their successors a certain messuage which he formerly purchased of the Company of Waterbearers<sup>1</sup> in London, so that they distribute every Sunday one dozen of "peny breade with the vantage" to poor householders of the parish. To the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Company of Merchaunttailors in the City a certain tenement called "Bell Alley" in the parish of S. Botolph without Busshopesgate, so that they provide gowns of "Wellshe fryze," shirts, shoes, &c., for twelve poor men dwelling within the City, and cassocks of "fryze," smocks, shoes, &c., for a like number of women, every year at Christmas.<sup>2</sup> The residue to be devoted to keeping the tenements in repair.<sup>3</sup> The Chamberlain and Town Clerk to see to the application of the trusts, and to receive ten shillings apiece yearly for their pains.<sup>4</sup> In case of default remainder over to the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael aforesaid. Dated 1 December, A.D. 1570.

Roll 256 (127).

<sup>1</sup> See note Part I. p. 509.

<sup>2</sup> The Company purchase annually 72 ells of Irish linen, 120 yards of cloth or brown stuff, and 24 pairs of hose. The gifts are divided between twelve men and twelve women, being either freemen of the Company or freemen's widows, each receiving 3 ells of linen and 5 yards of cloth, and each also having 5s. in money.

<sup>3</sup> There being some doubt as to the construction of the residuary clause of the will, the question was formally raised by the Company taking proceedings against the Attorney-General in 1870 (*Merchant Taylors' Company v.*

*Attorney-General*, Law Rep., 11 Eq. 35 and 6 Ch. Ap. 512). It was held by the Master of the Rolls, whose decision was confirmed on appeal, that the Company were not entitled to the surplus for their own benefit, but were bound to apply it to charitable purposes. It is now devoted to the support of the Company's Convalescent Home at Bognor, under an order of the Board of Charity Commissioners, dated 26 March, 1872.

<sup>4</sup> The sum of 17. 1s. is still paid to the Town Clerk when demanded, and in one case, when not demanded, was carried to the poor account.



## ANNO 14 ELIZABETH.

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1571.*Monday next before the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

Middelton (THOMAS), skinner.—To be buried in his parish church of S. Pancras. Bequests to those of the livery of the Company of Skinners attending his burial. To Alice his wife two messuages in the parish of S. Stephen in Colmanstrete in fee. Dated 28 March, 9 Elizabeth [A.D. 1566–7]. Roll 256 (160).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

Starre (RICHARD), “cowper.”—To Ellen his wife one third of his goods; to Baptist his son another third; and the residue he reserves to himself according to the laudable custom of the City. To the Company of Cowpers he leaves twenty pounds for the “seelinge” of their hall, and forty shillings for a dinner. Bequests to the poor of the parish of All Hallows Steyninge and in the almshouses at Ratcliff, to his servants, and others. Also to his aforesaid wife his lands and tenements for life; remainder, as to his inn called “the Crosse Keyes” in Holborne, to Jane his daughter, charged with the payment of thirty pounds to Richard Heathe, Thomas Heathe, and Tobie Heathe her children, and to Baptist his aforesaid son twenty shillings yearly. To Ellen his daughter, wife of Anthony Duffeld, mercer, the reversion of his messuage in Frydaye Street, subject to similar payments to Ellen, Jane, and Anne her children, and to Baptist his son. Also to Baptist his aforesaid son a tenement in Marke Lane. Dated 17 October, A.D. 1571. Roll 256 (164).

## ANNO 14 ELIZABETH.

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1571–2.*Monday next before Feast of S. Edward, K. and M. [18 March].*

Wotton (CHRISTOPHER), “merchaunttaylor.”—To Joan his wife all his lands and tenements in the City of London and its suburbs in fee, together with all his goods and chattels. Dated 20 December, A.D. 1562. Roll 257 (16).

## ANNO 15 ELIZABETH.

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1572–3.*Monday next before the Feast of S. Scolastica, Virgin [10 Feb.].*

Parrot (JOHN), gentleman.—To be buried in the church of

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S. James at Garlick Hithe, to the parson and churchwardens of which and their successors he leaves a certain messuage situate within the parish, to the intent that they yearly distribute the rents and profits thereof among the poorest of the said parish and the parish of All Hallows Stayning, "parte and parte lyke either parisshe."<sup>1</sup> His leasehold interest in the manor of Bynsey near Oxford is to be divided in specific portions among the Fellows and Scholars of Mary Magdalen College in Oxford, the poorest people of S. Martin in Oxford, his brother Leonard Parrot, William Abraham, vintner, and others. Dated 31 October, A.D. 1572.

Roll 258 (11).

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[Roll 259 contains no enrolment of wills.]

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#### ANNO 17 ELIZABETH.

*Monday the F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and Mar. [20 June].*

Chapman (ROBERT), of Stone near Dartford, co. Kent, gentleman.—To Anne his daughter, wife of William Carewe, draper, one moiety of his manor of Stone Castell in the parishes of Stone and Swannescombe, co. Kent, except his house called the "Castell of Stone," with gardens, &c.; and to "Ellen" his daughter, wife of Frauncys Rogers of Dartford, gentleman, the other moiety. To Ellen his wife he leaves the "Castell of Stone," &c., aforesaid for life or until marriage, with remainder to Anne his aforesaid daughter; and also an annuity of forty pounds. Provision made for Guy Chapman his brother. To Robert and Ellen, children of Barbara his deceased daughter, late wife of William Lewson, mercer, fifty pounds apiece. To poor householders of Stone twenty shillings yearly, charged on his daughters' estates. Dated 20 February, A.D. 1570.

A codicil by which his legacies to his son-in-law Fraunceys

<sup>1</sup> It appears from Mr. Hare's Report on the charities of the parish of S. James Garlickhithe in 1860 that the churchwardens of that parish were in the habit of taking the issues and profits of the messuage here devised, subject to a rent-charge of 40s. a year, which they paid, "according to the trust," to the churchwardens of All Hallows Staining for the poor of that parish. No such rent-charge is mentioned in the testator's will as enrolled (Appendix to Report City Paroch. Char. Com., 1880, vol. iii. pp. 18, 197).

Rogers and to "Helene" his daughter, wife of the said Fraunceys, are revoked if at any time they molest Anne his daughter and William Carewe her husband in their enjoyment of the house aforesaid called "the Castell of Stone," or if they fail to pay within six months after his decease to his son-in-law William Lewson, mercer, the sum of twenty pounds. Dated 24 October, A.D. 1572.

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Roll 260 (8).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Scolastica, Virgin [10 Feb.].*

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1574-5.

**Blackwell** (GEORGE), butcher.—A nuncupative will, whereby he leaves to Katherine his wife for life a messuage called "the signe of the three Kinges" in S. Clement's Lane in the parish of S. Clement near Great Eastcheap; remainder to his children. The will was made, according to the testimony of certain witnesses upon oath, the 22nd of September, A.D. 1569.

Roll 260 (38).

**Mason** (WILLIAM), "merchaunttaylor."—To be buried in the parish church of S. Botolph without Bishopsgate. To Joane Colye, widow, his mother, his copyhold lands and woods in the parish of Sutterton, co. Suffolk. To Jane his wife a certain messuage in the borough of Bungay, co. Suffolk. To his cousin John Katcher, pewterer, the reversion of certain houses in the parish of Aldermarye, formerly belonging to Sir William Laxton, charged with the payment of one third of their rent to the aforesaid Jane. Further bequests of twenty pounds to Joane Colie aforesaid, and of five pounds each to Edward Colye, Johan Colye, wife of Thomas Gillette, Osey Coley, wife of Thomas Boyton, Adrey Colye, wife of William Androwes, Mary Colye, wife of Lewes Sympson, Martha and Sarah Colye, children of the aforesaid Joane; the said sums to be also paid by John Katcher aforesaid. Among other bequests he leaves to Martha and Sarah Colye "halfe a garnyshe of pewter." Dated 7 March, A.D. 1569.

Roll 260 (40).

# ANNO 18 ELIZABETH.

A.D.  
1575.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Cony** (WILLIAM), carpenter.—To the Master and Wardens of

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the Freemen of the Carpentry (*Carpentrie*) of the City of London and commonalty of the same mistery a messuage called "le Bere," and certain tenements and gardens situate near "le Carpenters Halle," in the parish of All Hallows in London Wall, for the relief and better maintenance of the mistery; also a silver cup with covercle parcel gilt, commonly called "a Goblett," having a silver-gilt coney on the top, weighing by Troy weight  $25\frac{3}{8}$  ounces. Dated 1 September, A.D. 1517. Roll 261 (4).

**Smarte** (THOMAS), carpenter.—To the Master and Wardens of the Craft and Fellowship of Carpenters of London certain lands and tenements in the parish of All Hallows beside London Wall, held and occupied by the master, wardens, &c., to the intent that he may be the better remembered and prayed for in the said fellowship. Also to the same he leaves a cup of silver and "clene gilt" with his name and "tymbre merk" in it, weighing  $27\frac{1}{4}$  ounces. Dated 17 March, A.D. 1519. Roll 261 (5).

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*Monday next before F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and M. [20 June].*

**Bromwell** (WILLIAM), mercer.—To Johan his wife a tenement and parcel of void land in the parish of S. Thomas the Apostle for life, subject to certain charges; remainder to the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Thomas aforesaid for pious and charitable uses among the poor of the parish. The churchwardens to find yearly the Paschal light of the said parish church, so that all the parishioners may be discharged of contributing to the same; they are also to provide certain tapers at Christmas to stand on the great candlesticks before the high altar, there to burn before the Sacrament on festival days as of old time hath been accustomed. In case of default, remainder over to the Wardens of the Worshipful Mistery and Fellowship of Mercers of London, on condition they pay forty shillings yearly to the poor honest of the fellowship. The residue of the issues and profits to be devoted to necessary repairs of the property to the use of the fellowship. Dated 25 November, A.D. 1536.

A codicil giving permission to the parson and churchwardens aforesaid or any others to build upon the ground of the garden

contained in his testament. Dated 28 November, 28 Henry VIII.  
[A.D. 1536]. Roll 261 (25).

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# ANNO 21<sup>1</sup> ELIZABETH.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

**Pelter** (RICHARD), brewer.—To be buried in the choir of the church of Our Lady Woolchurch. A marble slab to be placed over his tomb, having the arms of his company engraved thereon, and pictures of himself, Katherine and “Eme” his wives, and of his five (*sic*) children, viz., Mark, Richard, Agnes, and Blanche. Bequests of a gown to each of twelve poor men mentioned by name, and to Gawyn Pelter his kinsman, Francis Kidd, scrivener and writer of this his will, and many others. Pecuniary legacies to the poor in Scaldinge Alley in the parish of S. Mildred in the Poultry, and in Nonne Alley in the parish of S. Christopher and elsewhere; also for poor maidens’ marriages, to poor prisoners in Ludgate, Newgate, and the Compters, &c., as well as to Morgaine Richardes, husband of Blanche his daughter, their children, and numerous other individuals. To every one of his customers a barrel of ale. Among other bequests he leaves to his daughter Agnes, wife of John Roote, sixty pounds, a standing cup of silver gilt, a towel of damask work, and eighteen napkins. His lands and tenements in Guter Lane in the parish of S. John Zachary, and in the parish of S. Andrew Undershaft, the parish of Stebunhith, co. Middlesex, and elsewhere, he leaves to Blanche his daughter for life; remainders over. Also to Agnes Roote his aforesaid daughter an annuity of twenty pounds, charged on all his lands and tenements. Dated 28 October, A.D. 1574.

Roll 262 (1).

**Nicholas** (SIR AMBROSE), Knt., Alderman of London.—To the Keepers or Wardens and Commonalty of the Art or Mistery of Salters in London and their successors he leaves twelve small tenements in Mugwell Street in the parish of S. Olave within Cripplegate, to serve as dwellings for twelve poor men or women

<sup>1</sup> The membranes in this Roll are in reverse chronological order.

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being free of the City, preference being shown to Salters.<sup>1</sup> Also to the said keepers or wardens, &c., aforesaid other lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Alphege and S. Olave, to the intent that out of the issues and profits they pay to each of the said almsfolk sevenpence a week at their Common Hall, situate in the parish of All Hallows in Breadstrete, and provide for them three hundred "western Fagates," of good and lawful assize and mark, every year at Christmas. The residue to be devoted to the poor of the company. In default remainder over to the Mayor and Commonalty and citizens of London for like purposes. Dated 28 April, A.D. 1578. Roll 262 (2).

## ANNO 20 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next before Feast of S. Dunstan, Archbishop [19 May].*

**Bowes**<sup>2</sup> (SIR MARTIN), Knt., Alderman.—To be buried in the "highe quier" of the church of S. Mary Wolnoth, where lie the bodies of Cecilley and Anne his late wives. To Elizabeth his wife one third of his goods and chattels, and to William and Cherity his children another third of the same. Appoints guardians over his said children, he having already compounded with the Mayor and Aldermen for the use and bestowal of the said two orphans,<sup>3</sup> for which he presented them with a goodly cross of gold set with "perell" and stone to hang at the collar of gold which the Mayor wears at high feasts, as appears in the Repertory.<sup>4</sup> To Martin his

<sup>1</sup> The property here devised formed nearly a square plot, bounded on the north by Hart Street, on the west by Monkwell Street, and on the south by Fell Street, the eastern boundary being at the back of premises north of Wood Street. The Company's almshouses in Monkwell Street were occupied up to the year 1862 or 1863, when the almsfolk, eighteen in number, were removed to Watford, where houses had been erected for their reception under the sanction of the Charity Commissioners, at a total cost, including the site, of upwards of 11,000*l.* Mr. Hare reported in 1863 that "the expenditure has immemorably exceeded the income of the endowment" (Appendix to Report Livery Companies Com., 1884, vol. iv. p. 504), and

the Company in their own Return to the Commissioners of 1880 state that up to 1866 they had expended a sum of 8,837*l.* beyond income (*id.* vol. ii. p. 526).

<sup>2</sup> Citizen and goldsmith. Alderman of Aldgate, Farringdon Within, and Langbourn Wards in succession; Sheriff, 1540; Mayor, 1545-6. A generous benefactor to the Goldsmiths' Company, in whose court-room hangs his picture. He is believed to have died 4 August, 1566.

<sup>3</sup> As to guardianship of orphans within the City, see *Intro.*, Part I. pp. xlv. xlvii.

<sup>4</sup> Probably refers to the collar of SS given to the City for the use of the Mayor by Sir John Alleyn twenty years before, which gift is recorded as follows:

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son he leaves his leasehold mansion house wherein he dwells, together with its reversion, to hold the same in tail male, with remainder to Thomas his son; also his lease of "Morefeild" and of the bridge entering into his gardens, and his household stuff at Wolwiche, Northcrey, and Mylende. To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Art and Mistery of Goldsmiths within the City the sum of thirteen pounds six shillings and eightpence, to pay for an honest dinner for them at Goldsmiths' Hall on the day of his burial. Bequests to twenty parish clerks attending his funeral in their surplices; also for a dinner in his house to the Mayor and Aldermen and the parishioners of S. Mary Wolnoth; for the relief of poor prisoners, the poor of Woolwiche and Plumsted, for maidens' marriages, for the repair of highways between Whitchapell and Yelford, &c. Among other bequests he leaves to Sir Percyvall Harte, Knt., his daughter Cisceley, wife of Henry Harte, and others, a ring of gold "with two Bowes bente and a deatnes hed graven betwene them upon it," according to a sample left with his executors, with this Scripture about it, "Remember thy ende," of the value of three pounds. Also to William his youngest son his double cup all gilt, being of a mulberry fashion, called a "brid cupe"; to Cherity his daughter and to Thomas his son gilt cups made like acorns. The sum of forty pounds to be distributed among poor householders in the Ward of Langborne upon the day that he shall be in peril of death, whilst yet alive and before the bell toll for him, the said sum lying ready for the purpose in "newe mylle mony" in a bag in his iron chest. Twenty-four poor men to have a gown apiece of such "culer" as of late has been used and accustomed to be given at burials, that is to say, "Rattes Culer" or "Shepes Culer," or such like. Fifty-two sermons to be preached in the church of S. Mary Wolnoth by the "precher parson" of S. Michael's in Cornhill, the parson of S. Peter's in Cornhill, and the parson of S. Peter's the Poor, in

"Att this Court [27 Oct. 37 Henry VIII. A.D. 1545] my lorde Mayer brought in and delyvered here in the Court to the handes of Mr. Chamberleyn the Coler of Esses lately gevyn to this Citie by Sir John Aleyn, Knyght and Alderman, to be used alweyes and worne by the lorde Mayer of this Cytie for the

tyme beyng, to gyther w<sup>th</sup> an oblygacion to be made by this Cytie to the executors of the seyd Sir John Aleyn accordyng to the tenor of the last wyll of the seyd Sir John Aleyn, and the same afterward delyvered ageyn to the seyd lorde Mayer att the same Court" (Rep. 11, fol. 238).

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turns; the sermon to commence immediately after one of the clock in the afternoon, and to continue by the space of an hour or thereabouts. The preacher to exhort his hearers to repentance and a new life, and to receive six shillings and eightpence for each sermon. Dated 10 August, A.D. 1565.

Certificate of probate in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, dated 21 January, A.D. 1566.

Roll 262 (19).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Johnes** (EDWARD), cutler.—To Margaret his mother the sum of five pounds if alive; if dead the said sum to go to the children of his sister Margaret, and other sums of money he leaves to Elizabeth Basse his mother-in-law and Richard Coulson his brother-in-law. To Elizabeth his wife a tenement called "Doddes" in Chegwell, co. Essex, and two messuages in Aldermanbury in fee. Dated 17 October, A.D. 1576. Roll 262 (21).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Domela alias Doumbelowe** (THOMAS), skinner.—To Rachel Bates and "John" Bates, the "base daughters" of William Bates, "coper," the sum of five pounds apiece. To John Collier, draper, Richard Beanam, and others, he leaves various articles of apparel, comprising gowns furred with budge afore and a cassock of "Tawney Mocaddowe."<sup>1</sup> To William Tedcastell, cutler, and to Agnes, wife of the same, and to John Dixston he leaves his three messuages in Marke Lane in the parish of All Hallows Steyninge, formerly belonging to the dissolved Monastery of Graces near the Tower. Dated 31 July, A.D. 1564. Roll 262 (24).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Rychemonde** (JOHN), gentleman, citizen and "armorer" of London.—To the Master, Wardens, Brethren and Sisters of the Fraternity or Guild of S. George of the men of the Mistery of Armorers of the City of London certain lands, tenements, &c., called "Christofer Alley" in Secolelane, otherwise called "Secowlane," in the parish of "S<sup>t</sup> Edmond Sepulcher" without New-

<sup>1</sup> Or mock velvet, a woollen stuff made in imitation of velvet (Halliwell).



gate, charged with the payment of an annuity to Isabel his wife, and also with the yearly payment of three pounds to the poor and needy brethren and "system" being free of the craft. The said master, wardens, &c., are further charged with providing at a cost of thirty shillings one good and honest breakfast at their Common Hall upon the Feast of S. George [23 April] for the freemen of the clothing or livery, and with housing ten poor folks, men or women, free of the craft in ten of the small tenements here devised,<sup>1</sup> or, in the alternative, paying to each one of them yearly eight shillings. Releases the aforesaid master, wardens, &c., from a debt of sixty pounds which they owe him. Dated 14 July, A.D. 1559.

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Roll 262 (61).

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

Hudson (RICHARD), the elder, innholder, dwelling in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate.—To be buried in Corpus Christi Chapel in the said parish church. To John, son of George Depuppe, "inholder," the reversion, under certain circumstances, of his messuage or inn called "the Swanne" at Holborn Bridge, in tail; remainder to Richard, son of the aforesaid George. The said messuage charged with an annual payment of four pounds for the poor of the parish of S. Sepulchre, and for a recreation and drinking for the vicar and churchwardens. Also, if Richard his son happen to die before the expiration of certain leases, the same are to remain to the aforesaid John and Richard Depuppe. Bequests to the Company of Inholders in London for a banquet on the day of his burial and to the use of their hall. To Stephen Rogers, Joane and Elizabeth, daughters of Johane his wife, Richard his son, and others, he makes divers bequests, comprising

<sup>1</sup> With reference to this charity, Mr. Hare reported in 1860 that the Company furnished almshouses for the reception of these ten poor folks adjoining other almshouses belonging to the Company in Britannia Place, Bishopsgate Street; and that the specific payments made by the Company on account of the charity were only 4*l.* 5*s.* per annum, viz., to four poor people 5*s.* each a quarter, and a

quitrent of 5*s.* per annum to S. Sepulchre's parish; but the ten almsfolk received (from the general funds of the Company) two guineas a quarter, 5*s.* each after three livery dinners, and 1*s.* 6*d.* for coals. The 30*s.* for the breakfast and the reserve of 5*s.* had not been set apart for many years (Appendix to Report Liv. Comp. Com., 1884, vol. v. p. 9).

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gowns, his nest of goblets with the cover parcel gilt, silver spoons with "postelles" at the end, two "wreathen saltes" with one cover of silver parcel gilt, a cup with a cover gilt having "the rose and pounde granat<sup>1</sup> in yt," a little ring of gold with a "diamonde sparke," a pair of "demesens,"<sup>2</sup> a triangle, a pair of hooks of silver and double gilt, his mazer with band of silver, six spoons of silver with "mayden heds," and a pair of "ambre beades gauded with silver." His wife to enjoy his inn aforesaid, with kine, cattle, household stuff, &c., for two years after his decease, provided she remain unmarried and behave herself well. Dated 19 October, A.D. 1558. Roll 263 (25).

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# ANNO 22 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

**Atkinson** (GILES), "merchaunttailor."—To the Master and Wardens of the "Merchaunttailors" of the Fraternity of S. John Baptist in the City of London he leaves an annual rent of five shillings and eightpence issuing from tenements in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen, Old Fish Street, and an annual rent of thirteen shillings and fourpence issuing from a tenement called "the Sonne," otherwise "the Salutacion," in the parish of S. Olave near London Bridge, to hold to them, by what name soever they be incorporated, and their successors for ever. Dated 19 June, 19 Elizabeth [A.D. 1577]. Roll 263 (48).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Scolastica, Virgin [10 Feb.].*

**Gresham** (THOMAS),<sup>3</sup> Knt., mercer and freeman of the City of

<sup>1</sup> Pomegranate.

<sup>2</sup> Cf. Damasellours or damasins in Table of Rates for Package (Charter, 5 September, 16 Charles I., 1640). Damassin is spoken of as a kind of brocade invented by the Venetians in the seventeenth century, which by being subjected to great pressure between rollers was made to appear one unbroken and brilliant plate of gold or silver (Beck's 'Drapers' Dict., s.v.).

<sup>3</sup> His will touching his real estate is printed in 'The Lives of the Professors of Gresham College,' by John Ward (London, 1710), and elsewhere. The

testator died on 21 November, 1579, leaving his widow, Dame Ann Gresham, but no surviving issue. The Corporation and the Mercers' Company, anno 23 Elizabeth, obtained an Act of Parliament whereby, after a life estate in the Royal Exchange and its appurtenances to Dame Ann Gresham, the property became vested in the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London, and the Corporation of Mercers and their successors, in equal moieties. The testator's widow died in 1596, and the two corporations appointed committees to take possession of the estates herein

London.—To be buried in “St Tellyns” in the parish where he resides. Bequests to Lady Ann Gresham his wife, his apprentices, to one hundred poor men and one hundred poor women, to his cousin Cissley Ciolle, his niece Elizabeth Nevell, and others. Dated 4 July, A.D. 1575. A.D.  
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Touching his lands and tenements, he wills that after the determination of the estates referred to in a deed dated 20 May, 1575 (whereby he settled the buildings in London called the “Royal Exchange,” with its “pawnes,”<sup>1</sup> shops, &c., upon his wife for life, remainder to his surviving issue), the said buildings shall remain, as to one moiety, to the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London, and as to the other moiety, to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of the Mercers of the City of London and their successors, for a term of fifty years, upon trust that the said Mayor, &c., shall expend yearly the sum of two hundred pounds, in manner as directed, towards the maintenance and finding of four persons suitable to read lectures on divinity, astronomy, music, and geometry within his own dwelling-house in the parishes of S. Helen in Bishopsgate Street and S. Peter the Poor, and further distribute yearly the sum of fifty-three pounds six shillings and eightpence among the inmates of eight almshouses in the parish of S. Peter aforesaid, and the sum of fifty pounds among the poor prisoners in certain prisons and compters. Also

devised, and to do all acts necessary under the terms of the testator's will. In the following year “Ordinances and Agreements” were entered into between the City, the Mercers' Company, and the lecturers already appointed, for the good government of Gresham House and of the lecturers therein abiding. The Royal Exchange was completely destroyed by the Great Fire in 1666, and the revenues intended for the support of the lecturers and other charitable uses mentioned in the testator's will were lost; nevertheless the Corporation and the Company continued to pay the salaries of the lecturers, and to make the various charitable payments with which the property was charged. Gresham's mansion house and almshouses escaped the fire, and in 1767 passed into the hands of the Crown by virtue of an Act of Parliament, the then lecturers

having given their consent thereto on condition that an increase of 50*l.* per annum should be made to their salary, and that they should be allowed to marry. From 1767 to 1838, when the Royal Exchange was again destroyed by fire, the lectures were delivered at the Royal Exchange; they were then delivered at the City of London School until Gresham College in Basinghall Street was erected. It may be added that the Corporation, on its part, has expended no less a sum than 144,000*l.* on twice rebuilding and repairing the Royal Exchange, and the Mercers' Company presumably have expended a similar sum.

<sup>1</sup> A “paw<sup>n</sup>” is supposed to be a corruption of Ger. *Bahn*, a path or walk. Here it means the corridor, furnished with shops, running round the Barse.

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upon trust that the aforesaid Wardens, &c., of the Mercers shall expend yearly the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds for the finding and maintenance of three persons suitable to read lectures in law, physic, and rhetoric in his aforesaid dwelling-house in manner as directed, and further distribute yearly the sum of fifty pounds among the poor inmates of divers hospitals and prisons, and expend yearly the sum of one hundred pounds upon four quarterly dinners for their whole company in Mercers' Hall. Each moiety of the aforesaid buildings is appointed by this his will and disposed to the said mayor and commonalty, &c., and the said wardens and commonalty, &c., respectively. Touching his mansion house situate in the parishes aforesaid, he leaves the reversion of it, after the determination of estates limited by the aforesaid deed, to the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London and to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of the "Mercerye" of the said City and their successors, upon trust that they suffer the seven persons to be appointed as aforesaid to occupy it, for the purpose of study and for daily reading the several lectures. None to be chosen to read lectures so long as he be married. He further wills that if the Corporation of London and the Mercers' Company, before the end of the said term of fifty years, shall procure sufficient licence, they shall enjoy the said Royal Exchange, &c., for ever, by such moieties and proportions and in such manner as thereinbefore limited, upon the said specified trusts. To Sir Henry Nevell, Knt., his cousin, and to the heirs male of Elizabeth, late wife of the said Sir Henry, and daughter of Sir John Gresham his brother, he leaves the reversion of his manors of Mayesfylld and Wardehurste, co. Sussex, on condition that his said cousin do pay all charges of wardship, livery, and primer seisin<sup>1</sup> due to the Crown for his estates upon his decease; in default remainder over. The residue of his lands and tenements he leaves to his aforesaid wife absolutely. In witness whereof he has written this his will with his own hand, and to each of the eight leaves has subscribed his name, and to a label fixed to the leaves has set his seal with the "greassopper." Dated 5 July, 1575. Roll 263 (52).

<sup>1</sup> See note *supra*, p. 687.

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1580.*Monday next before the Feast of S. Alphege, Abp. [19 April].*

**Jenyns** (THOMAS), fishmonger.—Touching his great message called “the Chequer” and his tenement called “the horsehead”<sup>1</sup> in the parish of S. Magnus near London Bridge he has already declared his will, which remains in the hall of the Company of Fishmongers of London and is to be still in force. To the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London, governors of the revenues, &c., of the hospitals of Edward VI., called Christ’s Hospital, Bridewell, and S. Thomas’s, he leaves an annual rent of forty shillings issuing out of the above tenements, for the relief of poor children harboured in Christ’s Hospital. To Margaret his wife he leaves the same tenements, subject to the above annual charge, for life; remainder to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Fishmongers, charged with the yearly payment of six pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence for the poor of his native parish of Braughinge, co. Herts, a portion of the said money to be expended on the purchase of white and red herrings for the poor of the said parish, and also in gifts to the poor of New Fish Street, Old Fish Street, and others.<sup>2</sup> The aforesaid wardens and commonalty are further charged with the yearly payment of the sum of ten pounds to John Jenyns his son and the heirs of the body of the said son, failing which it is to go to Anne his daughter, wife of James Dixon, fishmonger, and her children; remainder to the daughters of his son George. As soon as this payment shall cease from want of issue of the beneficiaries the aforesaid wardens and commonalty are to distribute yearly among the poor people in and about New Fish Street and Old Fish Street respectively as many coals as shall cost forty shillings, or forty shillings in money; and to and among the poor of the parish of Braughinge for their relief forty shillings yearly. Dated 31 March, A.D. 1579.

Roll 264 (8).

<sup>1</sup> The property called the Chequer and the Horsehead, near London Bridge, according to Mr. Hare, formed part of No. 121, Upper Thames Street and part of Nos. 26 and 27, Fish Street Hill, which still stand, as well as other property which was sold under the London Bridge Act. The account of the estate is audited, according to the direction of

the will, annually by the Chamberlain of London (Mr. Hare’s Report, 1861, printed in Appendix to Report Livery Companies Com., 1884, vol. iv. p. 248).

<sup>2</sup> Particulars of these gifts will be found fully set out in Mr. Hare’s Report on the Company’s charities, made in 1861, the sum total amounting to 16*l*.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Holmes (JOHN)**, "weyvor."—To be buried within the church of Blackrode,<sup>1</sup> co. Lanc., near his wife. To Anne his wife his lands and tenements in the parish of All Saints in Lumbardstrete for life, charged with the yearly payment of eight pounds to trustees for a schoolmaster of a free grammar school in the town of Blackerode, in the church there or as near unto it as may be deemed right; also with the further payment of five pounds for the exhibition, finding, and keeping of a scholar in the college at Cambridge called "Marye Valense," otherwise "Pembrokehall."<sup>2</sup> After the decease of his wife his lands and tenements to go to the vicar and churchwardens of S. Sepulchre's, subject to similar charges. To John, son of George Holme of Blackrode, citizen and grocer of London, one hundred pounds with which to set himself up, and his livery gown of "browne blewe" faced with budge; and to Margaret Evans his wife's niece five pounds. If the said John and Margaret join in marriage he leaves them a tenement called "the Katherine whele" at Holborne Conduit. To Thomas his brother five pounds and his gown of "Sheepes collar faced with foynes." To Charles Cowperthwaite his best gown "garded with velvet and faced with gennettes." To others he makes various bequests, comprising his ring of gold called a "Comellin,"<sup>3</sup> a gown furred with "shankes,"<sup>4</sup> his "book of the monumentes,"<sup>5</sup> &c. Towards the making of a stone steeple at Blackrode he leaves three pounds. Also he gives his chamber, "which lieth readye framed and unsett up," with the timber thereto belonging, to the schoolmaster of Blackrode, reserving to the priest of the church the loft of the said chamber, upon condition the town shall help the schoolmaster to build the said chamber and to set it up at the east end of the house. Numerous bequests of chattels, comprising platter dishes, pewter dishes, a "chaffinge dishe," saucers, pottle pots, pint pots, quart pots, a brazen mortar with a pestle, a feather bed, canvas sheets "with an old coveringe of ymage worke," "pillowberes," a "Turkie cushen," and a chair of ease of wainscot. Also to the

<sup>1</sup> Blackrod, near Chorley.

<sup>2</sup> Part I. p. 310, note.

<sup>3</sup> Probably for cornellin or cornelian.

<sup>4</sup> Fur made from the legs of animals.

<sup>5</sup> 'Actes and Monuments of Matters most speciall and memorable happening in the Church; with an universall historie of the same,' by John Foxe.

aforesaid schoolmaster he leaves a new cupboard standing in his house, a "folden bord," two "bedstedes," and a form, to remain in the house, and also the "sawe," "buckett," and the "border of all the kinges," there to remain and not to be taken away, together with half of his "cowperstuffe." Bequests also to poor prisoners at Lancaster and London, &c. Dated 18 September, A.D. 1568. Roll 264 (19).

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*Monday the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Lambe (WILLIAM)**, freeman and citizen of the City of London of the Mistery of Clothworkers.—To the master, wardens, and commonalty of freemen of the said mistery certain lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Mary Woolchurch and All Hallows Staining, to hold to them and their successors to their own proper use and behoof for ever. Dated 13 July, A.D. 1573.

Roll 264 (24).

**Lambe (WILLIAM)**, clothworker.—To the Master, Keepers or Wardens, and Commonalty of the Mistery or Art of the "Stationers" of the City of London and their successors a yearly rent of six pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence, to the uses of an indenture dated 7 July, 9 Elizabeth [A.D. 1567]. Also to the Master, four Wardens, and Commonalty of the Guild or Fraternity of the Assumption of B.V. Mary of the Art or Mistery of Clothworkers in the City of London certain lands and tenements in the parishes of "S. James in the Wall"<sup>1</sup> near Cripplegate, S. Stephen in Colmanstrete, and S. Olave in Silverstrete, to the uses mentioned in a pair of indentures<sup>2</sup> dated 12 July, 10 Elizabeth [A.D. 1568], made between the said master and wardens, &c., and the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London. If at any time the Corporation of the said Company of Clothworkers should happen to be seised into the hands of the Crown, the property is to go over to the President and Fellows of the College lately

<sup>1</sup> There are only two parish churches in the City dedicated to S. James, viz., S. James Garlickhithe and S. James, Duke's Place. There was, however, a hermitage or chapel dedicated to the saint called "S. James's Chapel in the Wall," from its being situate in or near London Wall, but this was in the parish of S. Giles, Cripplegate.

<sup>2</sup> This deed, together with the testator's will, &c., is recited in an Act of Parliament known as William Lambe's Chapel and Estate Act, 1872, set out in Mr. Hare's Report on the Clothworkers' Company in 1860 (Appendix to Report Livery Companies Com., 1884, vol. iv. pp. 590 *et seq.*, where a full account of Lambe's charities will also be found).

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erected by Sir Thomas Whyte,<sup>1</sup> Knt. and Alderman, to the use of the poor scholars of the same college so long as the said corporation remain so seised. The property is similarly to go over to the President and Fellows of S. John's College, Oxford, in case of default made by the Corporation of Clothworkers in carrying out the terms of the devise. Dated 11 October, 16 Elizabeth [A.D. 1574].

Roll 264 (25).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Michael [29 Sept.].*

**Jennyns (THOMAS)**, fishmonger.—To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Fishmongers of the City of London a shop in Bridgestreete, *alias* Newfishstrete, in the parish of S. Magnus the Martyr, and also an annual rent of assise of thirteen shillings and fourpence, from another tenement in the same parish, charged with giving yearly the sum of four pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence, or the value thereof in coals, to the poor of the parishes of S. Mary Magdalen, Old Fish Street, S. Nicholas Colde Abbey, S. Mary Somerset, S. Michael in Crooked-lane, S. Margaret in Bridge Street, S. Magnus the Martyr, and S. Ethelburga in Bishopsgatestrete.<sup>2</sup> One moiety of the annual rent aforesaid is to go to the masters of the bachelors of the said mistery towards the charges of their dinner, whensoever the same may be kept, and the other to the wardens and commonalty aforesaid to their own proper use and behoof. Dated 20 August, A.D. 1572.

Roll 264 (31).

**Heron (WILLIAM)**, of the parish of Clerkenwell, co. Middlesex, gentleman.—To Elizabeth his wife for life a yearly rent of twenty pounds issuing out of his house called "the mayden head" and other lands in the parish of S. Sepulchre, on condition she claim not dower, "frankebanck,"<sup>3</sup> or wife's part of his lands or goods. To Thomas Herne of Newe Castell a yearly rent of five pounds issuing from the same lands and tenements. To two poor colleges in the universities of Oxford and Cambridge, viz., to University

<sup>1</sup> S. John's College, Oxford, founded by Sir Thomas White in 1555.

<sup>2</sup> The property here devised was at one time known as No. 27, Fish Street Hill. The payments of 13s. 4d. continue

to be made to each of the seven different parishes named, in the month of December of every year.

<sup>3</sup> Or frcebench.



College in Oxford and Peterhowse in Cambridge respectively, a similar yearly rent of five pounds towards the education and bringing up of poor scholars. To the poor of the parish of S. Sepulchre a similar rent of four pounds. Bequests of other rents issuing from the same lands and tenements for the repair of the churches of S. Sepulchre and Clerkenwell, for the repair of the highway between the "Spittle howse" and Highegate, and the corner of S. Jones's wall and the common highway leading from Highegate through Kentishe Towne to Battle Bridge;<sup>1</sup> also to Katherine Basset, *alias* Popleton, his first wife's daughter, Joane Hall, *alias* Popleton, another daughter of his first wife, and others. Bequests also of money and gowns. For the better carrying out his several devises he directs his executors to convey his lands and tenements to the corporation of the Woodmongers or of the Clothworkers.<sup>2</sup> Dated 12 July, A.D. 1580.

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## ANNO 23 ELIZABETH.

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*Monday next before the Feast of Purification of V. Mary* [2 Feb.].

**Bolte** (HENRY), of the parish of S. Bride in the suburbs.—His dwelling-house to be sold to pay his debts, &c. To Margaret, wife of John Cleypoole, ten shillings and a "tawnye mockadowe kertell fringed and laide abowte the skirtes with lace." To Nicholas and Robert his brothers twenty shillings each; and to his brother John twenty nobles. The residue of his goods he leaves to Anne his daughter. Dated 9 December, A.D. 1574.

Roll 265 (6).

*Monday next after F. of SS. Tiburcius and Valerian* [14 April].

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**Hewar** (EDWARD), draper.—To the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. George near Estecheape he leaves two tene-

<sup>1</sup> Near the terminus of the Great Northern Railway at King's Cross.

<sup>2</sup> The property was made over to the Clothworkers' Company, against whom an information was filed about the year 1833. Whereupon it was declared that the lands, &c., devised to the Company by the will of Heron, and the rents and profits thereof, and the sum of 3,355*l.* 17*s.* Consols standing in the

names of the defendants, and the dividends, were applicable to the charitable purposes of the will; and it was ordered, amongst other things, that the sum of 4*l.* per annum should be applied to the use of S. Sepulchre's parish, and the sum of 10*l.* per annum towards the repairs of the parish church (Appendix to Report City Paroch. Char. Com., 1880, vol. iii. p. 317).

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ments in S. Botolph Lane in the parish of S. George aforesaid, to be employed on the necessary repairs of the said church for ever. Dated 8 February, A.D. 1572. Roll 265 (13).

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## ANNO 24 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Leonard alias Jacksonne** (WILLIAM), mercer.—To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Mercers of the City of London the reversion of certain rooms, buildings, and soil in the parish of S. Andrew Undershaft, to hold to them and their successors to their only use and behoof for ever. Dated 2 November, 14 Elizabeth [A.D. 1572]. Roll 265 (83).

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## ANNO 25 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

**Harvye** (SIR JAMES), Knt., Lord Mayor of the City of London.—To the Master, Wardens, and Commonaltye of the Mysterye or Arte of Iremongers of London and their successors certain lands and tenements in the Old Jewry, Love Lane, and Sylverstreete, which Sir William Denham, late Alderman, formerly had purchased of the late King Henry VIII. by letters patent dated Westminster, 30 June, 36 Henry VIII. [A.D. 1544]; to hold the same to the said master, wardens, &c., for ever, to their only proper use and behoof. Dated 4 October, 24 Elizabeth [A.D. 1582].

Roll 266 (1).

**Est** (ROBERT), "iremonger."—To the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Mistery or Art of Iremongers of London and their successors his capital messuage called "the horsehed," with alley called "the horsehead Alleye," in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate, to their own use and behoof for ever, they paying to the Crown, under which the property is to be held by fealty, an annual sum of fifty-three shillings and fourpence. Dated 5 October, 24 Elizabeth [A.D. 1582]. Roll 266 (2).

## ANNO 26 ELIZABETH.

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1583.*Monday next before the Feast of S. Edmund, K. [20 Nov.].*

**Nycholas** (DAME ELIZABETH, relict of SIR AMBROSE, Knt.).—To be buried in the church of S. Mildred, over the vault where her late husband lies. Bequests to the inmates of divers hospitals and prisons. To the Company of Salters she leaves the sum of one hundred pounds, to remain with them as a stock for ever, to be lent to two young men of the company, to each of them fifty pounds for three years, they paying yearly for the use of the loan twenty shillings each, which are to be distributed among the poor of the parish of S. Mildred, London, at Christmas and Easter; also a further sum of one hundred pounds,<sup>1</sup> to be lent to two young men of the company for two years, they paying for the use of it yearly six pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence, to be distributed among the poor of the parishes of Nedyngworthe and St. Ives, co. Huntingdon, to wit, one year to the former and the next year to the latter parish. To the poor of the parishes of Longston<sup>2</sup> and Ayno<sup>3</sup> respectively forty shillings. To the universities of Oxford and Cambridge sixty pounds for the benefit of poor scholars. To her daughter Anne she leaves one thousand five hundred pounds, being her said daughter's orphanage portion due from her father Sir Ambrose aforesaid, for payment of which sureties had been put into the Orphans' Court; the same to be paid to her daughter on arriving at twenty-one years of age or marriage. If her said daughter should die before reaching that age or before marriage, the money is to be divided among her five children, viz., Frauncys Ellyn, Walter Marler, Ester Powell, Grace Hardynge, and Mary Jarvys, as directed. Bequests also to Jane Boxe and Elizabeth Gylborne her daughters;

<sup>1</sup> These capital sums of 100*l.* (of which only 50*l.* was ever received by the Company) formed part of the subject of an inquiry raised by information filed against the Company in 1833 by the Attorney-General at the relation of John Edwards and another, for the purpose of settling a scheme for disposing of this and other loan charities in the hands of the Company. The defendants in their answer stated that the moneys in question had been lent out and ultimately

lost (probably during the civil wars). The suit went no further, but a compromise was arrived at with the assent of the Attorney-General, and a decree was made by the Vice-Chancellor, 31 May, 1839, which will be found set out by Mr. Hare in his Report on Sir John Coates's gift, made to the Charity Commissioners in 1863 (Appendix to Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. iv. p. 504).

<sup>2</sup> Co. Derby.

<sup>3</sup> Aynho, co. Northampton.

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to her sisters, her servants, and others. To Robert Shakerley, her uncle Shakerley's son, she gives twenty pounds towards repairing Longston Hall, co. Derby. To the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of London she leaves two dozen silver trenchers parcel gilt, to be engraved with her arms and those of her husband. Other bequests of gold rings, black gowns, &c., to numerous individuals. Her household stuff to be sold by the "owtropaer"<sup>1</sup> for the best value for the advancement of her children and payment of legacies. Dated 24 January, 25 Elizabeth [A.D. 1582-3]. Roll 266 (27).

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1584.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop [11 Nov.].*

**Morrays** (RICHARD), sen., "iremonger."—To the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Mistery or Art of Iremongers of London certain lands, tenements, &c., in the parishes of S. Mary Staynynge and S. Olyve in the Old Jewry, which Sir William Denham, late citizen and Alderman of London, purchased of King Henry VIII. by letters patent under the Great Seal, dated 30 June, 36 Henry VIII. [A.D. 1544]; to hold to the said master, wardens, &c., and their successors, to their own use and behoof for ever. Dated 18 July, 26 Elizabeth [A.D. 1584].

Roll 266 (69).

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#### ANNO 27 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Faith, Virgin [6 Oct.].*

**Johnson** (WILLIAM), goldsmith.—To his father-in-law John Bull and Grace, wife of the said John, the testator's natural mother, all his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Botolph without Alegate. Dated 1 July, A.D. 1585. Roll 267 (29).

**Bragge** (EDMUND), haberdasher.—A nuncupative will, the testator being *in extremis*. Upon Roger his son asking him,

<sup>1</sup> Or Common Crier, whose official duty it was, among other things, to act as an auctioneer broker. The first charter of Charles I. purports to erect and create the office of Outropaer or Common Crier, to be exercised by appointment of the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London, for the selling by public and open claim, commonly called "ontery," all household stuff, apparel, leases of houses, jewels, goods, chattels, and other things. A schedule of fees is added to the charter (Westminster, 18 October, 14 Charles I.).

"What will yow geve my mother?" meaning Elizabeth, wife of the testator, he then and there replied, "I have saide already threescore poundes a yeare yf my lande will soe farre extende, she to be owner of the lande." And the aforesaid Elizabeth then asked, "What will you geve your sonne Edward?" to which the testator replied, "I will geve him thirtie poundes a yeare. I can geve him noe lesse." Dated 16 June, A.D. 1585.

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1585-6.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Skidmore** *alias* **Skiddie** (STEPHEN), vintner.—To be buried in the church of S. Stephen in Colemanstrete. To Hellen his wife a moiety of his goods and chattels, according to the laudable custom of the City of London. Pecuniary legacies to John his brother; Anne, daughter of the said John; Katherine and Anne his sisters, and other relations and friends. Bequests to the poor of the parishes of S. Stephen in Colemanstrete, S. Mary at Hill, S. Foster, S. Faith, and others. Leaves twelve crowns for twelve sermons to be preached monthly on Sunday in the church of S. Stephen aforesaid. Bequests to the Company of Vintners, their almsfolk, and to poor prisoners. Also to the Master, Wardens, Freemen, and Commonalty of the Mistery of Vintners he leaves the reversion of his lands and tenements situate within the precinct of the late dissolved Priory of the Black Friars near Ludgate,<sup>1</sup> charged with the yearly payment of twenty shillings to the poor of each of the following parishes, viz., S. Anne in the Black Friars, S. Bride, S. Andrew in Holborne, S. Sepulchre, S. Botolph without Alegate, S. Botolph without Aldersgate, S. Giles without Creplegate, S. Botolph without Bishopsgate, S. Leonard in Shorediche, S. Mary Matfellow in White Chapell, S. Olive in Southwarke, S. Katherine's Hospital by the Tower, S. Saviour in Bermondseystreete, commonly called "Mary Mawdlen," S. George in Southwarke,

<sup>1</sup> It appears from Mr. Hare's Report on the Company's charities in 1863 that this estate was situate in Shoemakers' Row, in Broadway, Blackfriars, in the parish of S. Anne, Blackfriars.

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S. Mary Overyes beyond the water, S. Giles in the Field, and Clerkenwell; charged also with the yearly payment at their Common Hall of the sum of twenty-four pounds to the mayor for the time being of the city of Cork in Ireland, the testator's native place, or to the deputy of the said mayor, to be bestowed upon the poorest of the said city; and further with the yearly payment of fifty-two shillings to the churchwardens of the parish of S. Stephen aforesaid, the same to be distributed in bread every Sunday to twelve of the poorest people of that parish.<sup>1</sup> Dated 20 March, A.D. 1584. Roll 267 (53).

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1588.

*Monday next after the Feast of SS. Philip and James [1 May].*

**Parkinges** (HENRY), of the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate, weaver.—To Margery his wife all his goods and lands for life. Pecuniary legacies to William Larkinge her son, Mary her daughter, wife of Thomas Walwyn, Christopher Parkynes, and others. His brother William Taylor appointed an overseer of his will. No date. Roll 267 (59).

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#### ANNO 29 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next after F. of Nativity of S. John Baptist [24 June].*

**Lute**<sup>2</sup> (JOHN), clothworker.—To be buried within the cloister of the parish church of S. Michael in Cornhill in the place where his great gravestone then lay. To Margaret his wife a moiety of his goods and chattels, and a leasehold garden in the parish of S. Botolph without Bishopsgate. One cake and one "bunne" of spicebread to be delivered to every householder, rich and poor, in the Ward of Cornhill on the day of his burial. Bequests of mourning gowns and of gold rings engraved with a lute and the letters I. L. on either side thereof for his name; also for thirty sermons to be preached in the church of S. Michael aforesaid within two years next after his decease. Richard Sleforde appointed overseer of his will, for which he leaves to the said

<sup>1</sup> The Company pay the sum of 19l. 12s. a year to the churchwardens of the City parishes here mentioned, and the sum of 24l. yearly to the municipality of the city of Cork (Return to Livery

Companies Commission, 1884, vol. II, p. 646).

<sup>2</sup> His will appears to have been proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury on 6 February, 1586.

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Richard the gold ring with a "Todestone"<sup>1</sup> in it which he was in the habit of wearing. To Thomas Watts, carpenter, his gold ring with a "Cornelion" therein. Touching his lands and tenements, he leaves certain of them lying in the parish of S. Dyonise Backchurch, a tenement called "the Leaden porche" in the parish of S. Laurence in the Old Jewry, and his dwelling-house called the sign of "the Lute and maydenheade"<sup>2</sup> in the parish of S. Michael in Cornhill, to Margaret his wife for life; remainder to the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of Freemen of the Art or Mistery of Clothworkers of the City of London and their successors, in trust to apply the sum of one hundred pounds out of the issues and profits to loans for three years to five young men free of their mistery, to each of them twenty pounds, and a like sum of one hundred pounds to ten householders free of their handicraft for the same term, to each of them ten pounds, and so from three years to three years for ever;<sup>3</sup> and further charged with providing a learned man to preach a sermon in the church of S. Michael, Cornhill, yearly on S. Luke's Day, he receiving for his pains six shillings and eightpence, and with the distribution in the church after the sermon of gowns, shirts, smocks, and shoes to twelve poor men and twelve poor women, of which number six men and six women shall be parishioners of S. Michael aforesaid and the rest shall be of the Company of Clothworkers dwelling elsewhere. The rest of the revenues issuing yearly out of the lands and tenements aforesaid to remain towards the necessary reparations of the same, and towards the

<sup>1</sup> The toad-stone (*crapaudina*) was a concretion supposed to be found in the head of a toad—a supposition not impossible, according to Sir T. Browne ('Vulgar Errors'). It was considered to be a sovereign remedy for the sting or bite of a wasp, rat, spider, &c. Cf. Shakespeare's well-known lines:—  
Sweet are the uses of adversity,  
Which, like the toad ugly and venomous,  
Wears yet a precious jewel in his head.

<sup>2</sup> 'As You Like It,' II. i.

<sup>3</sup> Now represented by No. 16, Cornhill.

<sup>4</sup> On 17 March, 1832, an information was filed by the Attorney-General at the relation of J. S. Hall and Effingham Wilson v. the Clothworkers' Company, praying, among other things, that an

account might be taken as to the moneys to be applied in loans under the testator's will. The Company had not for twenty years made any loans, and declined to make any further loans; they moreover claimed the rest of the profits issuing from the property, after raising the specified sum of 200*l.*, and had carried over the same to the general fund of the Company disposable for charitable purposes. The relators were successful, and the Company condemned in costs. The loan branch of this charity is now dealt with under a scheme of the Charity Commissioners, approved by them in July, 1877 (Mr. Skirrow's Report, dated 10 August, 1877, printed in Report Livery Companies Com., 1884, vol. iv. pp. 618, 619).

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charges, affairs, and relief of the said Company of Clothworkers, according to the good discretion of the master, wardens, &c., of the same. In case of default the property is to go over to the Master, Wardens, and Company of Drapers within the City of London. Dated 12 May, 1585. Roll 268 (22).

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1589-90.ANNO 32<sup>1</sup> ELIZABETH.

*Monday next before F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Tyndall** (ROGER), armourer.—To Agnes his wife certain lands and tenements in the parish of S. Botolph without Bishopsgate for life; remainder to the Master and Wardens, Brothers and Sisters of the Fraternity or Guild of S. George of the men of the Mistery of Armourers of the City of London, charged with the distribution of as much coals and faggots as amount to fifty shillings among the poor of the parish of S. Dionize Backchurche, and the payment of two shillings annually to the parish clerk;<sup>2</sup> also with providing for a sermon to be preached in the church of S. Dionize aforesaid on S. George's Day (23 April), if it be not a fish-day, and if a fish-day, on the Sunday or Monday following; the preacher to be paid six shillings and eightpence and to be invited to dine with them at their Common Hall; charged also, among other things, with a yearly payment of twenty shillings to the wardens of the yeomanry of the same company on S. George's Day, or on the day of the election of the master of the company, called "Mr Dinner daie," to the use of the said yeomanry, to the intent that such of the yeomanry as attend church on the last-mentioned day should be invited to dinner at their Common Hall. In default the property to go over to the Provost and Fellows of King's College, Cambridge. Dated 27 July, A.D. 1581.

Roll 269 (12).

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## ANNO 30 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Mildred, Virgin [20 Feb.].*

**Hilles** (RICHARD), "marchaunttailor."—To the Master and

<sup>1</sup> The membranes are not in strict chronological order. | paid yearly to the churchwardens of the parish of S. Dionis Backchurch.

<sup>2</sup> The sum of 2*l.* 12*s.* continues to be |



Wardens of the Merchaunttailors of the Fraternity of S. John the Baptist in the City of London and their successors his messuages in the parish of S. Botolph without Algate, to hold, until the decease of Gerson his son, in trust for his "nephewe" Daniel Hilles, son of his son Daniel, and for Elizabeth, daughter of his son Barnabas; and after the decease of his son Gerson, in trust to pay five pounds yearly<sup>1</sup> to six poor aged men of their fraternity "then occupienge or such as before shall have occupied sheringe with broade sheres or rowinge at the perche";<sup>2</sup> and failing these, to so many widows as do not marry again and have been the wives of such men as aforesaid; and again, failing these, to so many aged men of the fraternity occupying, or who shall have occupied, making of garments, or any other lawful art, mistery, or manual occupation, as are necessary to make up the deficiency of men or widows who did "shere and rowe" woollen cloths. Dated 28 June, A.D. 1586. Roll 269 (24).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

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**Waynam** or **Wayman**, citizen and "iremonger." — To be buried either in the church of S. Botolph without Aldrichgate or S. Mildred in Breadstrete, where he was then a parishioner. To Elizabeth his wife the residue of his goods, &c., after discharge of debts and funeral expenses; and all his lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Mildred and S. Botolph aforesaid for life, with remainder to Thomas Griffin, Richard Griffin, and his cousin Anthony, son of Robert Porter, in fee. Dated 18 January, A.D. 1584. Roll 269 (39).

## ANNO 31 ELIZABETH.

A.D.  
1588.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Atwill** (LAURENCE), skinner.—To be buried in the church of

<sup>1</sup> The Company, out of the rents of the property here devised, charge themselves with this sum yearly, which they carry to the poor account.

<sup>2</sup> The shearing here spoken of was the shearing or cutting the nap of cloth, and gave rise to a class of handicraftsmen known as shearmen. The term "rowing at the perche" probably refers to a process of roughing cloth, "rowe"

cloth being synonymous for a rough cloth, falding, or frieze (Way's 'Prompt. Parv'). Stow, on the other hand, in speaking of the Mayor's and Sheriffs' liveries, mentions broad cloth "rowed or striped athwart," as if "rowed" cloth were equivalent to "rayed" or "ray" cloth ('Survey,' Thomas's ed., p. 107).

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S. Andrew Undershaft. To Katherine his wife his household stuff, linen, and plate, and two thousand pounds in money for her portion of his goods. Numerous bequests to friends of money, gowns, rings, &c. To Thomas Spicer and Elizabeth his wife, the testator's daughter, and their children the sum of five hundred pounds, the amount of a bond. To the Master and Wardens of the Guild or Fraternity of Corpus Christi of the Skinners of London and their successors lands and tenements in Fanchurch Street, and his house in the parish of S. Thomas the Apostle; also lands and tenements in Godalminge, co. Surrey, and leasehold property at Christchurch, *alias* Crychurche, in London,<sup>1</sup> charged with an annuity to his daughter "Bonde," wife of Philip Bonde. The residue to be made a stock to be employed in some good sort whereby poor people, and especially such as be free of the company, may be set on work, and yet the stock to be kept and remain whole and increased yearly with the revenues, &c.; saving that twenty pounds be yearly allowed towards a dinner at the company's hall on the day of election of wardens.<sup>2</sup> To the Master and Governors of S. Bartholomew's Hospital lands and tenements in Old Fish Street, charged with the yearly payment of five pounds to the Hospital of S. Thomas and Christ's Hospital respectively. To the Mayor, Aldermen, Citizens, and Commonalty of the City of Exeter certain lands and tenements in the parishes of Whitestone<sup>3</sup> and Ustolompe,<sup>4</sup> co. Devon, for making a stock similar to that just mentioned, for the poor of the said city. Dated 6 November, A.D. 1588. Roll 269 (49).

A.D.  
1589.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

Offley (ROBERT), the elder, haberdasher.—To the Mayor and Commonalty and citizens of London and their successors his share of certain tenements, carpenter's yard, &c., in the parish of

<sup>1</sup> The estate consists of messuages in Modiford Court, in Fenchurch Street, and Great S. Thomas Apostle Street, as well as of land and messuages at Godalming, Surrey.

<sup>2</sup> This charity was made the subject of an information filed by the Attorney-General, which came on for hearing in 1825, the result being a scheme under which the Company was allowed the

sum of 100*l.* a year, the residue forming a constantly increasing loan fund. The amount of loans granted in 1879 appears to have been 1,000*l.* (Appendix to Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. ii. p. 390; vol. iv. pp. 341-2).

<sup>3</sup> Near Exeter.

<sup>4</sup> Appears in *Inquis. post mortem* as Ufcolompe; probably Uffculme, Tiverton.

S. Mary Aldermanbury, to hold the same to their own proper use and behoof for ever. Dated 14 July, A.D. 1589. Roll 269 (88).

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1589.

**Offley** (ROBERT), the elder, haberdasher.—To the Mayor and Commonalty and citizens of London and their successors certain lands, tenements, &c., in the parishes of S. Sepulchre without Newgate and S. Martin next Ludgate, formerly limited to superstitious uses, and acquired by the testator from the grantee of the Crown, to hold the same to their own proper use and behoof for ever. Dated 15 July, A.D. 1589. Roll 269 (89).

### ANNO 32 ELIZABETH.

A.D.  
1590.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Easte**<sup>1</sup> (ROBERT), "iremonger."—To the Master and Keepers or Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery or Art of Iremongers of London and their successors a capital messuage called "the horse head," an alley called "Horsehead allye," with gardens, &c., in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate, to hold to their own proper use and behoof for ever. Dated 14 May, 32 Elizabeth [A.D. 1590]. Roll 270 (32).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop [11 Nov.].*

**Ramsey** (SIR THOMAS), Knt., Alderman.<sup>2</sup> — To Dame Mary his wife his mansion house in Lumbertstreate in the parish of S. Mary Wolnothe, and certain tenements in Cornhill in the parish of S. Michael, for life, in satisfaction of her dower and third part of his lands and tenements; remainder to Thomas Taylor, his sister's son. To his "cossen" Elizabeth Holmedon, his sister's daughter, he leaves his great house in the Poultry in the parish of S. Mary Woolchurchhawe, and a garden in Coleman Street in Swanne Alley, for life; remainder to William and Giles Taylor her brothers. To Thomas Tyrrell his godson lands and tenements in the parish of Nudgate,<sup>3</sup> co. Surrey. The residue of his lands, tenements, &c., to descend to his heirs at law. Dated 9 July, A.D. 1586.

Roll 270 (44).

<sup>1</sup> Cf. will of Robert Est, disposing of the same property, whose will was proved in 1582-3. *Supra*, Roll 266 (2).

<sup>2</sup> Of Cheap Ward.

<sup>3</sup> Newdigate.

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1591.

## ANNO 33 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Rochester** (ALICE, widow of JOHN).—To Nicholas her son the residue of her goods and chattels after discharge of debts and funeral expenses. To the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Michael next Crooked Lane and their successors a certain tenement in S. Michael's Lane within the parish, charged with the yearly payment of forty shillings for the relief of poor children in Christ's Hospital; the residue of the issues and profits to be applied to the repair of their church and the relief of the poor of their parish. Dated 31 December, A.D. 1585.

Roll 271 (42).

*Monday next after F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and C. [13 Oct.].*

**Offley** (ROBERT), the elder, haberdasher.—To the Mayor and Commonalty and citizens of the City of London his interest in a parcel of ground and certain messuages in the parish of S. Mary in Aldermanburye, to their own proper use and behoof for ever. Dated 16 October, A.D. 1591.

Roll 271 (45).

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[Roll 272 contains no enrolment of wills.]

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A. D.  
1592-3.

## ANNO 35 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next after F. of S. Edward, King and Mar. [18 March].*

**Ware** (THOMAS), fishmonger.—To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of the Fishmongers of the City of London and their successors a messuage called "the Pepper Querne," with shops, &c., in Thames Street in the parish of S. Michael near Crooked Lane, to their own proper use and behoof for ever. Dated 28 December, A.D. 1573.

Roll 273 (17).

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1593.*Monday next before the Feast of S. Mark, Evangelist [25 April].*

**Clonne or Clunne** (OWIN), draper.—Recites at length his faith, concluding with the words:—"This is my verie faith *nam senex teneo fidem in qua natus sum puer parvulus, amen.*"

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Bequests of gowns to poor house holders of his company for their prayers, to his two mothers-in-law, viz., Joane Lowen and Margaret Ashlen, and his servants. To the Fellowship of Drapers five pounds for a dinner. To Agnes his wife, and to Beatrice his daughter and heiress, one third of his movables respectively. Also to his said wife land and houses in South Wokingdon, co. Essex, in fee, and the issues and profits of lands and tenements, both free and copy, within the City of London or elsewhere, for life, charged with the payment of an annuity to Margaret Ashlen her mother; remainder to Beatrice his daughter in tail. To the master and wardens of his company the reversion of lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Andrew Hubert, S. Margaret "Pattent," and S. Mary at Hill, in trust for sale; the proceeds to form a stock for loans to ten young men of the company from time to time, for terms of five years, and the interest thereon to be given to poor householders of the company,<sup>1</sup> the master and wardens deducting forty shillings yearly for their travail therein. In default of issue of the body of his aforesaid daughter a house and garden in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen in Barmondsye Street, co. Surrey, are to be let by the churchwardens and householders of the parish for providing bread on Sundays and coals for the poor. In case of similar default his lands and tenements in the parish of Orsett, co. Essex, are to go to the Drapers' Company; the issues and profits to be divided into three parts, whereof one part is to be devoted to the exhibition of two scholars at Oxford (at the assignment of the Bishop of London), being Catholic; another part to the redemption of poor prisoners in London; and a third for providing bread for the poor of Orsett. Dated 22 August, A.D. 1563. Roll 273 (23).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

Russell (THOMAS), draper. — Bequests to the poor inmates

<sup>1</sup> The premises here devised for sale were sold for 1,100*l.*, but the Company failed to make any such loans as are here directed. An information *ex officio* was therefore filed by the Attorney-General against the Drapers' Company in 1839, praying for a scheme respecting this and other property similarly devised

to the Company. A scheme was accordingly established, and confirmed by order of the Court, 20 February, 1844, which will be found fully set out in Mr. Hare's Report on the Drapers' Company in 1861 (Appendix to Report Livery Companies Commission, 1884, vol. iv. pp. 134, 135).

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of divers hospitals, prisons (including the Whyte Lyon<sup>1</sup> in Southwark), compters, &c., as well as to numerous individuals. To Lewes his brother a tenement in the parish of Finchley, co. Middlesex, and some customary land in the parish of Fryern Barnett, co. Middlesex, for life; remainder over. Bequest of fifty pounds for the erection of a school at Barton under Needwood,<sup>2</sup> co. Staff., similar to that lately erected at Height gate or Heigh Barnett, co. Middlesex. To the Master and Wardens, Brethren and Sisters of the Guild or Fraternity in honour of the Blessed Mary the Virgin of the men of the Mistery of Drapers within the City of London thirteen pounds six shillings and eightpence, to be spent on a dinner on the day of his funeral; also a standing cup with a cover gilt, the body of the cup being crystal, for a memento; also the sum of two hundred pounds, to be lent in sums of fifty pounds for terms of three years to four young men of the mistery without their making any payment for the use of the same, except to the clerk for the assurance. Also to the said master, wardens, &c., he leaves a messuage known as "the White horse," his great warehouse in Birchen Lane, a plot of ground used for the churchyard of the parish church of S. Edmund the King, and a messuage known by the sign of "the brush" in Tower Street in the parish of All Hallows Barking, charged with the yearly payment of nineteen pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence to thirteen poor members of their mistery, to wit, to each person two shillings and sixpence per month;<sup>3</sup> remainder

<sup>1</sup> "Then is the White Lion, a gaol so called, for that the same was a common hosterie for the receipt of travellers by that sign. This house was first used as a gaol within these forty years last, since the which time the prisoners were once removed thence to a house in Newtone, where they remained for a short time, and were returned back again to the foresaid White Lion, there to remain as in the appointed gaol for the county of Surrey" (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 153).

<sup>2</sup> The testator by deeds poll of the 6th of July, 1593, gave to trustees a yearly rent of 50*l.* 10*s.* charged on property in the parish of S. Leonard, Shoreditch (the said rent-charge being afterwards conveyed to the Drapers' Company), in trust to pay, among other

things, the sum of 21*l.* 10*s.* to the school at Barton-under-Needwood, co. Staff. Mr. Hare in 1861 drew attention to the fact that the Company were then paying annually to the school more than they were receiving. By an order in Council dated 30 November, 1882, Her Majesty declared her approbation of a scheme for the administration of this charity.

<sup>3</sup> An information *ex officio* was filed in 1839 by the Attorney-General against the Drapers' Company, praying that it might be declared that the whole of the rents and profits of the property here devised ought to be applied to the purposes indicated in the will or to some other like charitable purposes, and that the Company were not entitled to the surplus rents. The Court made a decree in the following year in favour of the

over in case of default to the governors of the hospitals of Christ, Brydewell, and S. Thomas on like condition. To Richard, son of Thomas Bayly, certain tenements charged with the yearly payment of fifty-two shillings to the churchwardens of the several parishes of Colton or Cotton<sup>1</sup> and Bliffeld,<sup>2</sup> co. Staff., for bread for the poor. To John Holland the younger of Barton under Needwood, co. Staff., certain lands and tenements in Barton, on condition the said John discharges a debt due to the testator. Also to the master, wardens, &c., aforesaid his leasehold tenements in Thames Street in the parish of S. Mary Somerset, charged with distributing out of the rents two loads of charcoal among the poor of the parish of S. Edmund the King in Lumberd Street, and devoting the surplus, if any, to the poor inmates of the almshouses belonging to the mistery aforesaid in Beech Lane. To Anne Howsman a messuage called "the Crowne" in the parish of S. Leonard in Shorditch; and to Robert Russell, draper, tenements known as "the Crowne Rents" in the same parish. To Leonard Piddock and Isabell, wife of the same, a garden and house in the parish of S. Botolph without Bishopsgate. To Robert Stokes, draper, the reversion of a messuage in Whetstonestreet in the parish of Finchley after the decease of Lewes Russell his aforesaid brother, and also his leasehold messuage in Lumberdstreet. His cottages, close, and meadow called "Bruckhouse field" or "Bruckhouse closes" in Dunstall, co. Staff., to be sold, and the proceeds divided among his brothers and sisters and their surviving children. Dated 7 July, A.D. 1593.

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Roll 273 (35).

## ANNO 36 ELIZABETH.

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*Monday next after the Feast of S. Ambrose, Bishop [4 April].*

**Whitmore (WILLIAM)**, haberdasher.—To George, William, and Thomas his sons he leaves the manor or lordship of Stockton,

Attorney-General and against the Company, and directed a scheme to be settled for the future administration of the charity. A scheme was accordingly settled, and approved by one of the Masters of the High Court of Chancery in 1845, a copy of which will be found

printed in the Appendix to Report of the City Livery Companies Commission, 1884, vol. iv. p. 211.

<sup>1</sup> The spelling varies in the MS. It probably refers to Colton, a parish near Rugeley.

<sup>2</sup> Blithfield, near Abbots Bromley.

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co. Salop, and his lands, tenements, &c., at Stockton, Apley, Hickford, Astley, and Norton, co. Salop, by equal thirds, in several tail, with cross remainders; remainder to Elizabeth, Anne, Margaret, Mary, "Francis," and Jane his daughters. Provision made against cutting off the entail. To Anne his wife the farm called "Balmes,"<sup>1</sup> situate in the parishes of Hackney, Shorditch, and Tottenham, for life; remainder to all his children equally. Dated 6 August, 35 Elizabeth [A.D. 1593]. Roll 274 (15).

*Monday next before F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and M. [20 June].*

Ware (THOMAS), fishmonger.—To be buried near the body of "Bersabe" his last wife. To Joane his wife one third of his goods and chattels, due to her by the custom of the City. Bequest of money for coals to be given to the poor of the parish of S. Michael next Crooked Lane; also to the poor of the parishes of All Hallows the Less, S. Martin Orgar, and others, to hospitals, &c. To the Master and Livery of the Worshipful Company of Fishmongers of London six pounds towards a dinner on the day of his burial, to be held in "the parlor," and a like sum to the Master of the Bachelors and the residue of the yeomanry of the same company for a dinner to be held in the Common Hall of the company. To Thomas his son his printed books, his signet of gold engraven with his mark, and the ring bequeathed to him by the late Bishop of Canterbury.<sup>2</sup> Bequest for thirty sermons to be preached in the church of S. Michael aforesaid within a year after his burial. To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Fishmongers a messuage called "the Pepper Querne" in Thames Street in the said parish of S. Michael; also two tenements in Churchyardallye<sup>3</sup> in the parish of S. Magnus the Martyr, charged with the yearly payment of five pounds eight shillings to the churchwardens of S. Michael's Church,<sup>4</sup> whereof twelve pence per week is to be

<sup>1</sup> Commemorated at the present day by Balm Road, Hackney, in the vicinity of which there once stood a fine old house known as Balmes or Baumes, afterwards used as a madhouse.

<sup>2</sup> Edmund Grindal, Archbishop of Canterbury, who died 1583.

<sup>3</sup> The houses Nos. 1 and 2, Churchyard Alley were taken down under the London Bridge Approaches Act, and the proceeds invested at first in Consols and

afterwards in some premises at Queenhithe, purchased from the parish of S. Mildred, Bread Street.

<sup>4</sup> The charity is entitled to the fixed rent-charge of 5*l.* 8*s.* only, and this sum continues to be paid by the Fishmongers' Company at the present day (Appendix to Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. ii. p. 217, vol. iv. p. 271, and Appendix to Report City Parochial Charities Com., 1880, vol. iii. p. 279).



expended on bread to be distributed every Sunday to the poor of the parish, and a further sum of twelve pence per week is to be given to the poor of Christ's Hospital, the churchwardens aforesaid taking four shillings for their pains. The residue of the issues and profits to go to their common box for repair of the said tenements. Dated 27 September, A.D. 1591. Roll 274 (23).

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### ANNO 37 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Buckle (CUTHBERT)**, Knt., Lord Mayor<sup>1</sup> of London.—To be buried in his parish church of S. Mary at Hill, where his son John lies buried. His goods to be divided into three parts, according to the laudable custom of the City, whereof one part he leaves to Dame Elizabeth his wife and another to his son Christopher, reserving the remaining third to himself. To sixty poor men attending his burial he leaves gowns of "newcolour." To thirteen poor almsfolk of the Company of Vintners six shillings and eightpence respectively. Bequests to inmates of divers hospitals and prisons (including the White Lyon); also to poor maidens of his native parish of Bourge under Staynmore, co. Westmorland; for mending highways between Mayden Castle and Baylie Bridge, co. Westmorland; to Agnes, wife of Henry Ubanke, his brother-in-law Peter Bromskill, Elizabeth, wife of William Askill, George Utley and John Utley his wife's sons, and many others. To the Master, Wardens, Freemen, and Commonalty of the Mistery of Vintners a standing cup with a cover all gilt and chased with his mark, and a sum of ten pounds for a dinner. Bequests to the poor of the parishes of "S<sup>t</sup> Poulchers,"<sup>2</sup> S. Mary at Hill, and S. Leonard in East-cheape. Also to Christopher his son all his lands, tenements, &c., in tail, saving to Elizabeth his wife her jointure and certain messuages in Mycham, co. Surrey, and a messuage called "the Spittle on Staynmore," charged with an annual payment of eight pounds for the maintenance of a schoolmaster to teach children

<sup>1</sup> Died during his year of office, Sir Rich. Martin serving for the remainder of his year, until the succession of Sir John

Spencer, Alderman of Farrington Without, Bridge Within, and Bassishaw Wards.  
<sup>2</sup> S. Sepulchre's.

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to read, &c., in the parish of Bourge aforesaid. To the Master, Wardens, &c., of the Mistery of Vintners the reversion of lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Mary at Hill and S. Dunstan in the East, subject to a rent-charge of forty pounds, and further charged with the yearly payment of four pounds to the poor of the parish of "St Poulchers," fifty shillings to the poor of the parish of S. Leonard in Eastcheape, and four pounds to the poor of the parish of S. Mary at Hill.<sup>1</sup> To Robert Brunskell the younger, his godson, the reversion of his mansion house in Marke Lane; and to his nephews and nieces the reversion of his manor of the Ile, co. Durham, and other tenements above mentioned. Dated 28 June, A.D. 1594. Roll 275 (1).

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1594-5.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

**Sole (ROBERT), salter.**—All his children, except his son Myles or Miles, having been fully advanced of their shares of his goods in manner as set out, they are desired to be therewith content. To his son Myles he leaves certain messuages in Breadstreete and Knyhtryderstreete, commonly called "Trinitie lane," in the parish of S. Mildred in Breadstreete. To George his son ten pounds. To Walter his son a portion of his household stuff. Bequests also to Jane Critofte and Mary Ayre his daughters, and others. Solemnly charges William his son to be content with the liberal portion and gift of the parsonage of Great Missingham, co. Norfolk, with which the said William had been advanced, and to suffer Myles his son to enjoy the lands and tenements devised. Guardians appointed for Thomas his son. His aforesaid sons George and Walter, and his daughters Jane and Mary and their respective husbands, to forfeit all benefits under his will if they attempt to bring any suit directly or indirectly affecting the interest of the aforesaid Myles. To the Keepers or Wardens and Commonalty of the Art or Mistery of Salters certain tenements, &c., in the parish of S. Giles without Creplegate, and certain others formerly known by the name of "the bolte and the Tonne," situate in Fridaistreete in the parish of S. John, Evangelist, in Watlingstreete, as well as other tenements, rents,

<sup>1</sup> It is supposed that the devise was pany. Nothing seems to be known of not accepted by the Vintners' Com- it.

&c., formerly bequeathed or assigned to superstitious uses, to have and to hold the same to them and their successors to their own proper use and behoof for ever. Dated 18 July, A.D. 1593.  
Roll 275 (7).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Boniface, Bishop [5 June].* A.D. 1594-5.

**Foxall** (JOHN), mercer. — To Sibill his wife, her heirs and assigns, his dwelling called "the grene Dragon" in Budgerowe in the parish of S. Antolyn. Dated 15 November, 33 Elizabeth [A.D. 1591].  
Roll 275 (19).

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#### ANNO 38 ELIZABETH.

[No enrolment of wills under this year.]

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#### ANNO 39 ELIZABETH.

A.D.  
1597.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. George, Martyr [23 April].*

**Egerton** (THOMAS), mercer. — To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of the Mercers of the City of London and their successors a tenement at one time known as "the greate seild," situate in Soperlane in the parish of S. Pancrace, near a tenement in "Cheapeside"<sup>1</sup> called "the Key," to have and to hold to their own use and behoof for ever. No general words in any other will to extend to a revocation of the present will. Dated 10 May, 32 Elizabeth [A.D. 1590].  
Roll 276 (45).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Gore** (THOMAS), grocer. — To the Company or Fellowship of the Grocers of the City of London and their successors two messuages in Gracechurchestrete and Lumberdestreete towards the maintenance and sustentation of the poor of the same fellowship, and the bearing and supporting of other charges and business

<sup>1</sup> The first instance in the Husting wills of Westcheap being called Cheapside.

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of the same company for ever.<sup>1</sup> This devise not to be set aside by general words in any subsequent will. Dated 11 July, A.D. 1586. Roll 276 (53).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Michael, Archangel [29 Sept.].*

**Morgan (ANDREW)**, vintner, of the parish of S. Ollyves in Sylverstreete, and formerly of the parish of "S<sup>t</sup> Ann Agnes" near Aldersgate.—To his son Gedion he leaves all his lands and tenements in his aforesaid parish of "S<sup>t</sup> Ann Agnes" in tail; remainders to his other sons, Bartholomew and Harman, in successive tail; remainder to his daughters and the heirs of their respective bodies. Also to Bartholomew his son a shop and two rooms situate in S. Martyn's the Great near Aldersgate. To Collet his daughter, wife of Edward Milwarde, the sum of eight pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence. Bequests to his grandchild Ann, daughter of his eldest son Edmonde, deceased, who is also to have his house in Smythfeild as soon as she comes of age, and to others. Dated 21 July, A.D. 1597.

An addition to his will touching the disposal of a sum of thirty pounds due to him from Gedyon his son. Dated 22 July, A.D. 1597. Roll 276 (54).

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1598.

## ANNO 40 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas, Apostle [11 June].*

**Bennet (JOHN)**, gentleman, of Stone beside Feversham, co. Kent.—To Elianar his wife all his lands and tenements in the parish of All Saints, Barking, except only a sawyer's yard which he leaves to John Worlye, gentleman, of the parish of Thonge, co. Kent; also to his said wife tenements in Feversham commonly called "the Sequestrye," charged with certain payments to the sons of Margerie his sister, wife of Tutchet Charles of Stonie

<sup>1</sup> This property appears in the Company's Return to the last Commission as No. 58½, Gracechurch Street, rental 102*l.*, charged with the payment of 2*l.* per annum to the poor of the parish of S. Benedict, Gracechurch. The property does not appear to be subject to

any such charge in the testator's will as enrolled, and moreover it is entered in the Company's books as having been the gift of Ralph Clervaux (Appendix to Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. ii. p. 160).

Stratforde. Pecuniary legacies to Thomas, son of William Downe of Linsteede, co. Kent, and others. Dated 12 March, A.D. 1596.

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Roll 277 (31).

### ANNO 41 ELIZABETH.

A.D.  
1599.

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Newman (JOHN)**, grocer.—To the Mayor and Commonalty and citizens of London and their successors his interest or share in a certain capital messuage in the parish of S. Mary in Alderman-burye and in a yard or void ground called a carpenter's yard adjoining the same messuage, and also in a parcel of ground theretofore enclosed with a brick wall for a burial-place for the parishioners of S. Michael in Bassishaw, to have and to hold the same to their own proper use and behoof for ever. Dated 26 April, A.D. 1599.

Roll 278 (18).

### ANNO 42 ELIZABETH.

A.D.  
1599-1600.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

**Walker (THOMAS)**, vintner.—To be buried in his parish church of All Hallows in Lombardstreete, otherwise called All Hallowes in Graciousstreete. Bequests to thirteen poor people of the alms-house of the Vintners and the beadle of the company; to the poor children of Christ's Hospital; to the Livery of the Company of Vintners for their pains to accompany his corpse to burial; to poor householders of the Company of the Fletchers; the inmates of certain prisons and compters in London and Southwark, &c. To William Wilkinson, a poor lame lad, six pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence. Bequests of money or rings to Nicholas Strellye his brother, Milicent Woulhouse his sister, Josias and Thomas his sons, Anne Callys and Suzanna Androwes his daughters, his wife's children, and others. To Mary his wife one half of his movables under certain conditions. Also to Josias his eldest son he leaves three messuages in the parish of S. Margaret Lothbury in tail male; remainder to Thomas his other son in fee. Also to Mary his wife

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1599-1600.

his dwelling-house for life during widowhood. His messuage called "y<sup>e</sup> Kinges head and Bellhouse," being the forepart of his dwelling-house aforesaid, he leaves to Thomas his son in tail male, provided the said Thomas allow Mary his wife, "mother-in-lawe"<sup>1</sup> of the said Thomas, to dwell there during widowhood; remainder to Thomas, son of the aforesaid Josias. Also to Anne Callys and Suzanna Androwes his daughters two tenements in "Wietecrossestreete" for their respective lives; remainder to his aforesaid grandson. His copyhold lands and tenements in Stepney and Mileend to be taken up according to the custom of the manor to his sons Josias and Thomas and their heirs for ever. Dated 20 February, A.D. 1598. Roll 279 (18).

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1600.

*Monday the Feast of S. Dunstan, Archbishop [19 May].*

Newman (JOHN), grocer.—To the Mayor and Commonalty and citizens of the City of London and their successors certain tenements, &c., in the parish of S. Michael Queenhithe, to their only and proper use and behoof for ever. Dated 15 May, 42 Elizabeth [A.D. 1600]. Roll 279 (27).

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1600-1.

#### ANNO 43 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next after the Feast of Epiphany [6 Jan.].*

Platt (RICHARD), brewer.—To the Master and Keepers or Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery or Art of Brewers of the City of London a messuage in Knightryderstreete, charged with the yearly payment of fifty-two shillings to the churchwardens of S. James Garlickhithe, to be distributed by them every Sunday in money and bread among six poor householders in the parish, viz., to each one a penny wheaten loaf and one penny; the residue of the issues and profits to be applied to the maintenance of almshouses lately erected by the testator at Aldenham, co. Herts.<sup>2</sup> To Hugh his son lands and tenements in Byrchin

<sup>1</sup> Meaning probably stepmother.

<sup>2</sup> Founded by the testator by virtue of letters patent dated 18 February, 38 Elizabeth, A.D. 1596, under which the Master and Wardens, &c., of the Brewers' Company were constituted

governors of the school. A scheme for the management of the trust estates of this charity was approved 13 May, 1875, whereby the Company lost a great part of their control over the school. Particulars of the scheme and of the man-

Lane, Thames Street, and in the parish of S. James aforesaid, excepting certain tenements in Cornehill and elsewhere, for life; remainders over. Also to the said Hugh lands and tenements in the parish of S. Pancras, co. Middlesex, as well as in the city of Westminster and at East Greenwich, co. Kent, for life; remainders over. Also to Richard, son of the said Hugh, a brew-house called "ye Vine," in the parish of S. Giles in the Fieldes, for life; remainders over. His copyholds or customary lands and tenements held of the manor of Tottenham,<sup>1</sup> co. Middlesex, he has surrendered to the use of Hugh, son of Hugh his aforesaid son; and similarly his copyholds held of the manor of Cantelaus,<sup>2</sup> co. Middlesex, to the use of William, another son of the said Hugh. To Robert, another son of the same Hugh, he leaves property in the parish of S. Michael in Cornhill; and to John, another son of the same Hugh, property also in the said parish, as well as in the parishes of S. Mary "Buttolphe" and S. Swithen. Dated 21 November, 43 Elizabeth [A.D. 1600]. Roll 280 (7).

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1600-1.

*Monday next before Feast of S. Edward, K. and M. [18 March].*

**Darke** (JOHN), "Longbowstringemaker."—To be buried in the church of S. James at Garlickhith. After divers bequests of money to Joane Osborne his sister and others, he leaves to Margaret his wife his house in Suffolke Lane in the parish of "litle All-hallowes" in Thamestreet, and a tenement in Sheppardes Alley in the parish of S. James aforesaid, for life; remainder over to Peter Tasker his servant, to whom he also leaves his wedding ring, his best gown and cloak, and his best silver salt parcel gilt. Dated 1 March, A.D. 1596. Roll 280 (18).

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#### ANNO 44 ELIZABETH.

*[No enrolment of wills under this year.]*

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agement of the almshouses at Delrow, near Aldenham, will be found set out in the Company's Return to the Livery Companies Commission appointed in 1880 (Appendix to Report, 1884, vol. iii. p. 125), where the date of the tes-

tator's will is given as the 28th of November.

<sup>1</sup> Tottenham.

<sup>2</sup> Spelt also Cantelows, Cantlers, &c., now Kentish Town, a prebendal manor of S. Paul's Cathedral.

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1602-3.

## ANNO 45 ELIZABETH.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

**Meggs (WILLIAM)**, the elder, draper.—To the Master and Wardens of the Guild or Fraternity, &c., of the Mistery of Drapers in the City of London and their successors, certain lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Andrew Hubbard, S. Margaret “Pattent,” and S. Mary at Hill, to their own proper use and behoof for ever. Dated 3 March, A.D. 1595. Roll 281 (36).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Bowes (SIR MARTIN)**, Knt., Alderman.—To Dame Elizabeth his wife, in satisfaction of jointure and “dowry,” he leaves his manors of North Croy and Rookesley, co. Kent, together with lands and tenements in Asshe and Hallywell, otherwise called “Hoddeshall,” co. Kent, for life; remainder to William his son in tail; remainders over to the sons of Thomas, the testator’s son, in succession. To Martin Bowes of “Jenckins” in the parish of Barking, one of his younger sons, certain tenements, &c., in the parishes of S. Leonard in Shordiche and S. Botolphe without Bishopsgate, in tail; remainders over as before. To Martin his grandson, being son of his son Thomas aforesaid, his capital messuage called “ye Whitehorse” in Lumbardstreete, together with other property in “ye olde Change” in the parish of S. Augustine, and in Byrchyn Lane in the parish of S. Edmund the King, subject to charges for his younger brethren, in tail; remainders over to the other sons of the aforesaid Thomas. To Charity Bowes his daughter his meadow ground in Long Lane beside Bermondsey Street in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen, co. Surrey, and the reversion of lands and tenements in the said street, in tail. Also to Martin Bowes of “Jenkins” aforesaid he leaves other lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Mary Abchurch and S. Mary “Wolnorth,”<sup>1</sup> at Upney in the parish of Barking, co. Essex, East Wickham, co. Kent,

<sup>1</sup> Had this not been a very exceptional mode of spelling the name of the church, it would have gone far to support a suggestion recently made in the columns of the *Athenæum* (24 August, 1889), that the name of S. Mary Woolnoth was but an abbreviation for S. Mary Woolchurch North.



and Cheam, co. Surrey. Also to the aforesaid Thomas his son and to Cicelie, wife of the same, his manor of Kingsdowne, co. Kent, his capital house in Wolwiche, co. Kent, called "y<sup>e</sup> Tower place," and other property there, together with lands, tenements, &c., at Plumstead, co. Kent, comprising his farms called "Suffolke place" and "Borestall," also at Bexley, Blackffen, Blendon, and Wickam in the same county. To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Art or Mistery of Goldsmiths within the City of London, to the end that they might the better remember him, and also do and perform such things as he had given them lands to do withal,<sup>1</sup> he further leaves certain messuages in the parishes of S. Edmund the King and S. Botolph without Bishopsgate, charged with the yearly payment of sixteen pounds in manner following, viz., to five poor folk of the town of Wolwiche, appointed to be in the testator's almshouses there, thirty shillings and fivepence apiece yearly, at their hall, by quarterly payments; six shillings and eightpence for a sermon at Wolwiche Church yearly; seven shillings and elevenpence to be distributed among the priest, clerk, and poor people of Wolwiche at the same time, and thirteen shillings and fourpence to the youngest wardens yearly for their pains and for viewing the almshouses; and further charged with the yearly payment of three pounds for wood and coals for the poor of the parish of S. Mary "Wolnorth," and of twenty shillings in wood and coal for the clerk, beadle, and almsmen of the company. The residue of the sixteen pounds to the poor of the company and the maintenance of their hall.<sup>2</sup> Dated 20 September, A.D. 1562.

By codicil he leaves his capital message called "the White horse" in Lumbardstrett, the advowson to the church of S. Mary "Wolnorth," and other property to Thomas his son and heir apparent, notwithstanding anything in the above testament to the contrary. Dated 29 July, A.D. 1566. Roll 281 (39).

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<sup>1</sup> See the will of William Southwood, feoffee in trust for the testator, as to devise to the Goldsmiths' Company (*supra*, pp. 670-1).

<sup>2</sup> In their Return made to the Livery Companies Commission, appointed in 1880, the Company state that there has been no alteration in the mode of applying the income of the charity

for ten years, and give the following particulars as to its appropriation:—To five almswomen at Woolwich, 65*l.*; coals and candles, 13*l.*; rates and insurance, 4*l.* 16*s.*; repairs, 12*l.* 5*s.* 11*d.*; medical attendance, 27*l.* 16*s.*; gifts at visitation, 8*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.*; balance to the Company for repairs to the hall (Appendix to Commissioners' Report, 1884, vol. ii. p. 329).

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1605.

[*Roll 282 contains no enrolment of wills.*]

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ANNO 3 JAMES I.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Newman** (JOHN), grocer.—To the Mayor and Commonalty and citizens of London and their successors a parcel of ground and buildings thereon, known as the “telling house,” situate within the structure and square of the Royal Exchange, with metes and bounds as set out, together with shops, sheds, walks, standings, “pawnes,” lights, &c., to have and to hold the same to their own proper use and behoof for ever.<sup>1</sup> Dated 1 October, 3 James I. [A.D. 1605]. Roll 283 (22).

**Wheateley** (MARGARET, wife of ROBERT, salter), widow of John Bonner, haberdasher.—By virtue of a power of appointment leaves to her husband a life interest in a certain tenement called “the Starr” in Colemanstreet in the parish of S. Stephen; remainder to such child or children of the body of the said husband as should be living, for an unexpired term of seventeen years from the date of her decease; remainders over to Thomas Bye, son of her late brother Robert Bye, Sarah Atkinson, daughter of her brother-in-law Gregory Atkinson, and others, in successive tail, subject to certain charges to divers friends and relations. Dated 19 September, A.D. 1605. Roll 283 (23).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Newman** (JOHN), grocer.—Having revoked his former will by deed enrolled immediately before this present will, he leaves one moiety of a certain parcel of ground with buildings erected thereon, situate within the square of the Royal Exchange, together with shops, walks, standings, “pawnes,” lights, &c. (devised in his previous will), to the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London and their successors for ever, and the other moiety to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of the Mercers

<sup>1</sup> This will was revoked by deed dated 18 November, 3 James I.

of the City of London and their successors, to have and to hold the same to them and their successors respectively for ever. A.D. 1605.  
 Dated 19 November, 3 James I. [A.D. 1605]. Roll 283 (31).

*Monday next after F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].* A.D. 1605-6.

**Bonner (JOHN)**, haberdasher.—To his sisters Margery Stampe and Margaret Bonner, and to his sister-in-law, the wife of Michael his brother, he leaves a gilt tankard respectively. The residue of his goods, after payment of specific legacies to various relations and others, to go to Margaret his wife, as also his messuage called “the Starre” and his other property in the parish of S. Stephen in Colemanstreet. Dated 21 August, A.D. 1601.

Roll 283 (45).

#### ANNO 4 JAMES I.

A.D.  
1606.

*Monday next after the Feast of All Saints [1 Nov.].*

**Powell (RICHARD)**, waxchandler.—To Ellen his wife one third of his goods and chattels, and to his children another third, according to the ancient and laudable custom of the City of London. Also to his said wife a life interest in his tenement wherein he dwelt, called “the Whiteharte,” in the parish of S. Thomas the Apostle, in satisfaction of dower, and to Mary his daughter a similar estate in another tenement in the same parish; remainder to Owen his son in tail; remainder to the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Art or Mistery of Waxchaundlers, London, and their successors for ever, on condition they yearly pay to the parson and churchwardens of the parish of S. Thomas the Apostle the sum of four pounds towards the relief of the poor. The tenant in tail not to cut off the entail on pain of forfeiture of estate. Dated 10 October, A.D. 1603.

Roll 284 (20).

#### ANNO 5 JAMES I.

[No enrolment of wills under this year.]

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1608.

## ANNO 6 JAMES. I.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Michael [29 Sept.].*

Ward (JOHN), of the parish of Christchurch, London, butcher.—A nuncupative testament, whereby he gives to Alice Dolphin his daughter, wife of George Dolphin, his dwelling-house in the parish of Christchurch, she paying forty pounds, which sum he leaves to Margaret Hamond, *alias* Ward, his daughter. To the poor of the parish of Christchurch forty shillings. Declaration of will made “on or about” 8 September, A.D. 1608.

Roll 285 (28).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

Dewes (PETER), of London, “Singleman.”—To his father-in-law<sup>1</sup> William Lyttell and his mother Helena Lyttell his freehold lands and houses at Bashingshall and in Fanchurchstreet, London, for their respective lives; remainders over to Richard Fyshe his brother, John Harrice, his sister Susan, wife of the said John, and others. Dated 8 August, A.D. 1603.

Roll 285 (31).

A.D.  
1608-9.*Monday next before F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

Berry (THOMAS), fishmonger.—A will nuncupative, whereby he leaves to his sister Mistress Ann Roupe and her heirs a certain house in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen near Oldfishstreete, instead of a house at Little Hadhame, which he had given her in a former will, and sold away again from her since the making of the said former will. Declaration of will made 27 April, A.D. 1608.

Roll 285 (44).

A.D.  
1609.

## ANNO 7 JAMES I.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

Hall (JOHN), a notary public, citizen and saddler.—To Elizabeth his wife a portion of his great messuage in Bowechurchyarde for life; remainder to John his son in tail; remainders over. Also to his said wife another portion of the same great messuage and a room in Goose Lane for life, subject to the payment of certain

<sup>1</sup> Meaning stepfather.

annuities; remainder to his heirs begotten on the body of his said wife, and in default of such heirs, to his son John Hall aforesaid for life; remainders over. Also to Mary his daughter a portion of the said messuage in tail; remainder over. Also to the aforesaid John and Mary his children he leaves certain lands and a "Copperas howse"<sup>1</sup> built thereon, with furnaces, implements, &c., at Whitstable, co. Kent, subject to certain provisions during their minority. The above great messuage is charged under certain conditions with the several payments of five pounds and fifty shillings to the Wardens or Keepers and Commonalty of the Mistery or Art of "Sadlers" and their successors, a portion of such sums to be employed on repair of the almshouses of Richard Shepham,<sup>2</sup> deceased, at Stowe on the Wolde, co. Gloucester, and the chapel belonging to the almshouses, and the residue to belong to the stock of the said mistery. In default of issue of particular devisees, the premises in London are to remain to the wardens and commonalty, &c., aforesaid, so that one third of the issues and profits be paid to his right heir, so long as there be such heir; one other third be bestowed on the advancement of poor maidens, viz., one moiety to poor maidens of the testator's kin, where possible, and the other to daughters of freemen of the Company of "Sadlers"; the remaining third to be bestowed in specified sums among the wardens, clerk, beadle, &c., of the company, and upon gowns and cassocks of frieze for the almsfolk at Stowe on the Wolde. Dated 9 January, A.D. 1605. Roll 286 (18).

A.D.  
1609.

*Monday next after F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

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1609-10.

**Goddard<sup>3</sup> (WILLIAM)**, fishmonger.—To the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Fishmongers of the City of London and their successors certain messuages in Blacke Raven Alley in the parish of S. Martin Orgar for ever, upon special trust and confidence that they will yearly pay the sum of forty shillings out of the issues and profits of the same to the poor prisoners in the Poultry Compter, and bestow the residue in manner limited,

<sup>1</sup> A house for the making of copperas (sulphate of iron).

<sup>2</sup> A grammar school at Stow-on-the-Wold was also founded by him.

<sup>3</sup> It was probably the testator who eft to the Fishmongers' Company large

property in the City of London and at Bray, co. Berks, for erecting "Jesus Hospital in Bray, of the foundation of William Goddard" (Appendix to Report Livery Companies Com., 1884, vol. iv. p. 225).

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1609-10. declared, and appointed by the will of Peter Blundell. Dated  
23 March, A.D. 1606. Roll 286 (40).

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[Roll 287 contains no enrolment of wills.]

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1611.

# ANNO 9 JAMES I.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Savadge** (THOMAS), goldsmith.—His goods, chattels, chains, rings, bracelets, &c., to be divided into three parts, one third of which he gives to Alice his wife, another to such of his children as were not already advanced, and the other part, commonly called “the deade mans parte,”<sup>1</sup> he leaves to his executors for discharge of legacies, &c. To Richard his son a certain messuage in the parish of S. Olave in Silverstreete in tail; remainders to Thomas, George, and John his other sons in successive tail. Also to Alice his wife his dwelling-house in Woodstreete in the parish of S. Alban for life without waste; remainder to Thomas and George his aforesaid sons in several tail. Also to John his youngest son a messuage in Adlestreete in the parish of S. Mary in Aldermanbury in tail; remainders to his other sons. To the parson and churchwardens of the church of S. Alban aforesaid and their successors he leaves a messuage called “the George,” with shops, &c., in the parish of S. Sepulchre, for repairing the fabric and the goods and ornaments of the said church. Bequests to the children of Christ’s Hospital, the poor of the parish of S. Alban aforesaid, the poor of the town of Rufforth in the parish of Croston, co. Lancaster, where he was born, the Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths, &c.; also to Jenet Savadge his mother, Cicelie Peacocke, Sarah Flinte, and Katherine Palmer his sisters, and other friends and relations. To his fellows the “sea-colemeators” of the City of London the sum of three pounds for a dinner. Dated 3 October, A.D. 1611. Roll 288 (20).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Trioen** (PETER), born at Wulvergem in Flanders, and now

<sup>1</sup> See Introd., Part I. p. xxxiii.

dwelling in the parish of S. Christopher near the Stocks, being a free denizen of England.—To Moses his son all his lands and tenements in Flanders, and the sum of five thousand pounds. To Samuel and John his sons five thousand pounds respectively. To Mary his daughter, wife of Mr. Sebastian Harvey, four thousand pounds; and to Hester his daughter, wife of Mr. William Curten, a like sum. Bequests also of money to the children of David Le Maire by Sarah his daughter, as well as to the poor of the Dutch and French churches in London, the poor of the Dutch churches at Norwich, Colchester, and Sandwich, the poor of the parish of Rickmansworth, co. Herts, the inmates of various prisons and compters, the children of Christ's Hospital, &c. His dwelling-house and other tenements in the parishes of S. Christopher and S. Bartholomew near the Royal Exchange he leaves to Samuel and John his sons equally, saving a life interest therein to Mary his wife. Dated 20 January, A.D. 1608. Roll 288 (21).

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1611.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Valentine [14 Feb.].*

**Tomlinson** (THOMAS), skinner.—To Margaret his wife one half of his goods, the remaining half being devoted to payment of legacies, &c. Bequests of sums of money and rings to John his brother, his cousin Susan, wife of John Wardell, and many others; also to the Worshipful Company of Skinners of the City of London, the Governors of Christ's Hospital, the poor inmates of prisons, &c. Also to Margaret his wife he leaves a messuage in Bredstreete, in the parishes of All Hallows in Breadstreete and S. Mary Magdalen in Milkstreete, in fee. To Elizabeth his mother an annuity of ten pounds issuing from his tenement called "the Castle," in Westcheape *alias* Cheapside, in the parish of S. Peter in Westcheape, which tenement he leaves to his aforesaid wife for life; remainder to his nephew John, son of John his aforesaid brother. His mortgage interest in the Rectory of Stanstead, *alias* Stanstead Mountfichett, co. Essex, and in the manor or place called "Donnyngton Place," *alias* "Dennyngton Place," in Donnyngton or Dennington, co. Suffolk,<sup>1</sup> he limits and

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<sup>1</sup> It is probably this manor that is referred to in the will of Juliana, relict of Elyas Russel (Part I. p. 173), where she leaves to Juliana her daughter "her entire Chamber of Donington," and her stock within the manor.

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**1611-12.** appoints to trustees to execute the terms of the will of Myles Hubberd, late citizen and clothworker. Dated 25 November, A.D. 1603. Roll 288 (30).

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**1612.**

ANNO 10 JAMES I.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Clarke (RICHARD)**, citizen and "Glasyer."—A will nuncupative, whereby he leaves to Elizabeth his wife his dwelling-house in Fetterlane for life, and all his goods and chattels, "saying to whome else should I give any thinge unto but unto my wief let her take all and pay all." Declared 3 August, A.D. 1607.

Roll 289 (20).

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**1613.**

ANNO 11 JAMES I.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mark, Evangelist [25 April].*

**Pickeringe (MARGARET**, widow of **JOHN**, haberdasher), of the parish of S. Mary Wolnoth.—To Bartholomew her son her messuage called "the Shipp" and other premises in Lumbard Street in the parish of S. Mary aforesaid, and all her goods and chattels after discharge of debts, &c. Dated 24 February, A.D. 1603.

Roll 290 (5).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Kelsick (WILLIAM)**, grocer.—To Richard Judson, parson of the parish church of S. Peter in Westcheape, and to his kinsman John Kelsick, carpenter, to whom he owes certain sums of money, he leaves messuages in Petty Wales in the parish of All Hallows Barking, to hold to them and their heirs by equal moieties in satisfaction of the testator's debts. Dated 10 March, A.D. 1595.

Roll 290 (37).

*Monday the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Paris (MATHEWE)**, girdler, son of Katherine Paris, dwelling in Aldermanbury, widow.—To Mary Debanck his mother's servant, to whom he owed the sum of twenty-one pounds five shillings, borrowed money, he leaves a certain parcel of silk lying in



his mother's house, worth twenty-three pounds six shillings and eightpence, heartily desiring her to accept thereof in full payment of his debt. Bequests of small sums of money to various relations and friends, as well as to the poor of the parish of S. Alban in Wood Streete, and for two sermons. Also to his aforesaid mother he leaves a message called "Worcester house" or "Worcester place," in or near Thames Street, formerly belonging to Edmond his brother. To his good friend George Bell, gentleman, he leaves twenty shillings for a ring and also a little "birding peece." Dated 11 October, A.D. 1603. Roll 290 (40).

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## ANNO 12 JAMES I.

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1614.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan, Archbishop [19 May].*

**Pemberton**<sup>1</sup> (SIR JAMES), Knt., Alderman.—To John his brother, Martha Prescott his niece, and others he leaves divers sums of money, as also to the poor harboured in Christ's Hospital, the poor of other hospitals and prisons, the poor of the parish of S. John Zacharies and of the Company of Gouldsmithes in London,<sup>2</sup> &c. To Anne his wife the residue of his goods after discharge of liabilities; also all his freehold lands and tenements whatsoever, charged with the yearly payment of fifty pounds towards the maintenance of the free school founded by him in the parish of Egglestone,<sup>3</sup> co. Lancaster. Dated 8 September, A.D. 1613. Roll 291 (11).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Margaret, Virgin [20 July].*

**Floud or Fludd** (DAVID), cordwainer.—His customary lands and tenements at Stratford Langthorne, co. Essex, to be sold for raising his daughters' portions, the deficit to be made up out of

<sup>1</sup> Born at Wrightington in the parish of Eccleston, co. Lanc., in 1545. Alderman of Bishopsgate Ward; Sheriff, 1602; Mayor, 1611–12. The date of his decease is given as 8 September, 1613, the same day as that on which he made his will.

<sup>2</sup> The sum left to the poor of the Goldsmiths' Company is 200*l.*, the same to be distributed among them at the discretion of his wife and executrix. The Company charge themselves with the interest of 200*l.* at five per cent.,

amounting to 10*l.* a year, which is carried to the account of the Acton almswomen.

<sup>3</sup> Known as the Free School of Heskin, in the parish of Eccleston, co. Lanc., founded by the testator in 1597. An account of the school as it existed in 1673–4, and as late as 1877, will be found in 'Local Gleanings relating to Lancashire and Cheshire,' edited by Mr. Earwaker (vol. ii. pp. 105, 109).

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the issues and profits of his messuages in the parish of S. Stephen in Colmanstreete, which he leaves to Elizabeth his wife for life. To James his son an annual rent-charge of twenty pounds and the reversion of certain of the above messuages. To Peter his son the reversion of his messuages in Bell Alley, *alias* Gough Alley, in the parish of S. Stephen aforesaid. Dated 5 July, A.D. 1600.

Roll 291 (30).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Michael [29 Sept.].*

**Seintper (OWEN)**, cook.—To be buried near Ann his sister, late wife of Henry Convers, “Merchaunte taylor,” in the church of S. Antholin. Margery his wife to have one full third part of his goods, and his sons Owen and Nathaniel another third; the residue he reserves to himself. Bequests to the poor of the parish of S. Alphedge and the poor prisoners in the Poultry and Wood Street Compters. Also to Owen his son his leaseholds in the parish of S. Mary Bow, his apparel, and “sealed ring” of gold engraved with his arms. Also to his aforesaid wife his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Alphedge aforesaid for life; remainder to his son Owen. Bequests of money and rings to numerous friends and relations. Touching his freeholds, he leaves to his aforesaid wife an annual rent-charge of fifty-two pounds on his lands and tenements in the parish of S. Christopher near the Stockes called “Three Nunnes Alley,” which lands and tenements he leaves to his son Owen for life, with remainder to Nathaniel his other son; remainders over. Also to Nathaniel aforesaid he leaves lands and tenements at Asterley and Farley in the parish of Pontesburye, co. Salop, and in Danburye, co. Essex, for life; remainders over. Dated 3 September, A.D. 1613.

Roll 291 (38).

**Morris (ISBRAND)**, the elder, citizen and “dier.”—To Elizabeth his wife all his lands, tenements, &c., whatsoever for life. To Humfrey and Isbrand his sons the reversion of his messuages in the parish of All Saints the Less in Thamestreete in several tail by equal moieties. To Judith his daughter the reversion of messuages in the parish of All Saints the Great in Thamestreete in tail; remainder to “Luce” his daughter. Also to his aforesaid wife lands and tenements in the town of Hartford, co. Herts.

The portion of Elizabeth his daughter, wife of John Heather, salter, to be made equal to the portions of his other children. Bequests to the poor of the parishes of S. Laurence Pountney, All Saints the Great, and All Saints the Less. Dated 5 August, A.D. 1614. Roll 291 (39).

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*Monday next before the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Westwood** (SIMON), "dier."—To Susan his wife the sum of two thousand pounds and all his lands, tenements, &c., in co. Essex, as well as a tenement in the parish of Little All Hallows, London, held under the Company of Dyers. To William his brother all his lands, tenements, &c., in the parish of Harborne, *alias* Horborne, in the county of [blank],<sup>1</sup> subject to a charge for life; remainder to John, son of the said William, in tail male; remainders over. Numerous bequests of sums of money to friends and relations. To Roger Taverner, his wife's son, and Simon Walsham, his daughter Margery's son, the reversion of his lands and tenements in London and Essex. For the repair of the church of Little All Hallows in Thames Street he leaves forty pounds. Dated 14 October, A.D. 1614. Roll 291 (44).

**Ileback** (SUSAN, widow of JOHN).—To Thomas Ileback and Mary Hogges the sums of fifty pounds and one hundred pounds respectively, which sums are to be paid into the Chamber of London at five per cent. interest until they come of age or marry. Bequests of money also to John Hogges her brother, Johan and Elizabeth, daughters of Robert Ileback her brother-in-law, and others. To the parson and churchwardens of S. Mary Staying she leaves the sum of six pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence, to be bestowed upon a "bearing clothe" for Christian burial, having her name embroidered thereon, for the use of the parish. Bequests of sums of money to the poor of the parishes of S. Mary Staying, S. Bride, S. Sepulchre, and others. Among other bequests she leaves to Cicily Popley her saddle and all its furniture and her best "Tafata" apron. To Mary Hogges divers household goods, comprising apostle spoons, a girdle of

<sup>1</sup> Co. Worcester.

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silver and key hangers of silver, and a purse and knives hanging at the same girdle, sheets of Holland, six pairs of fine "pillow-beeres," tablecloths of diaper and damask, one "feild bedsted" with curtains, vallance, and covering of green "saie," two feather beds upon the said "bedsted" and two "boulsters" and two pillows, a pair of "nedleworke vallance" and a border for a "cupbord," a "courte cupbord cloth of Tissewe,"<sup>1</sup> all her wearing linen, two black aprons, two pairs of "Crepers,"<sup>2</sup> a pair of and-irons, a fire shovel, and "tonges" tipped with copper. Dated 6 October, A.D. 1603. Roll 291 (45).

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#### ANNO 13 JAMES I.

*Monday next after Feast of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Taylor (RICHARD)**, doctor of physic.—To Elizabeth, Rebecca, and Jane his daughters the sum of three hundred pounds respectively. To Margaret his daughter the sum of one hundred pounds, to be paid to her on the day of her marriage, provided she marry with the consent of her mother (if alive), or (if dead) with the consent of any two of her sisters. By such bequest the testator would not have it thought that he made her thus inferior to her other sisters in portion of his goods, or that he had any "mislike" or "mishope" of her; but because she was yet young, and "theare be many wayes of beinge misledde," he thought it best to leave her to the absolute government of her mother, who doubtless would deal as kindly by her as by the rest of his children. To Elizabeth his wife a messuage in Westham,<sup>3</sup> his house in Fanchurch Street, and his manor or farm in Yorkshire called "Shelloe." To Richard Vaale his son-in-law he leaves his freedom of the "Moscovia cumpany."<sup>4</sup> Dated 1 October, A.D. 1610. Roll 292 (43).

<sup>1</sup> Cloth of tissue was a peculiarly rich stuff, another variety of cloth of gold. The very thin smooth paper which still goes by the name of tissue paper was originally made to put between the folds of this rich material to prevent fraying or tarnish.

<sup>2</sup> Probably crisping or curling irons.

<sup>3</sup> Co. Sussex.

<sup>4</sup> The Russia or Muscovy Company

of Merchants, incorporated by letters patent under the Great Seal, anno 1 & 2 Philip and Mary, which were confirmed by Act of Parliament, anno 8 Elizabeth. It had, among other privileges, the exclusive right of trading with Russian ports. The first governor of the company was none other than the illustrious explorer Sebastian Cabot.

## ANNO 14 JAMES I.

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1616.*Monday next after the Feast of S. Ambrose, Bishop [4 April].*

**Springe** (EDWARD), yeoman.—To Robert and Thomas his brothers his messuage in the parish of S. Ellen in Bisshoppsgate-streete. To John his brother five pounds; and to Cicely his sister, wife of Thomas Pounsett, ten pounds. Dated 24 February, A.D. 1609. Roll 293 (3).

## ANNO 15 JAMES I.

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1617.*Monday next before the Feast of S. Ambrose, Bishop [4 April].*

**Pilsworthe** (MARGERY, widow of EDWARD, clothworker).—To be buried near her late husband in the church of S. Michael in Crooked Lane. To Rowland Aynsworth houses in Bunting Allee in the parish of S. Alphege. To John and Rowland, sons of her cousin John Gawen, fourteen tenements in Little Wood Street in the parish of S. Alphege aforesaid in several tail; remainders over to George, William, and Thomas, other sons of the said John Gawen. Numerous bequests of sums of money, household goods, and money wherewith to make rings. Bequests also to Little S. Bartholomew's Hospital, the poor children of Christ's Hospital, and the prisoners in the compters; and to the Company of Clothworkers for a dinner. To her "gossopp man" and his wife four pounds to make each of them a ring. Dated 4 September, A.D. 1615. Roll 294 (1).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. James, Apostle [25 July].*

**Hollinshed** (JOHN), draper.—To his "cozen" William Hollinshed, son of his late brother William, a tavern called "the Grayhound" in Holbourne, in the parish of S. Androwes in Holbourne, in tail. To Timothy, another son of the aforesaid William, a messuage called "the Katherine Wheele," near Holbourne Conduit, in the parish of S. Sepulchre, in fee. To Mary Pountis *alias* Husbandes, wife of Richard Husbandes, citizen and draper, his interest in an inn called "the Bushe" at Bagshott,<sup>1</sup> and lands and tenements at Finchamsted,<sup>2</sup> "in the

<sup>1</sup> Co. Surrey.| <sup>2</sup> Finchampstead, co. Berks.

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countey of Surrey and Berkeshire." Bequests to Christ's Hospital and S. Thomas's Hospital; the poor prisoners in the compters and prisons, including the Gatehouse at Westminster, the Clincke,<sup>1</sup> the White Lyon, and the Compter in Southwarke; to the poor of the parish of S. Leonard in Estecheape, and to divers relations and friends. Also to the aforesaid Timothy he leaves messuages in Black Raven Alley within Algate. Among chattels bequeathed are mentioned his diamond ring, a "spout pott," and a chafing dish of silver. To Raphe Bailly his man his leaseholds in Rosemary Lane and his interest in a certain little tenement in Talbutt Alley in White Chappell. Dated 21 November, A.D. 1616. Roll 294 (12).

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1617-18.

*Monday the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

**Parker** (WILLIAM), "Marchaunttaylor."—To the Master and Wardens of the "Marchaunttaylor" of the Fraternity of S. John Baptist in the City of London and their successors a capital messuage or mansion house in the parish of S. Michael in Bas-sieshawe, which formerly was in the possession of the Company of the Mercers of London. Also to the said master, wardens, &c., certain messuages in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen in Milk-streete, to hold to their own proper use and behoof for ever. Dated 18 November, A.D. 1612. Roll 294 (37).

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1618.

ANNO 16 JAMES I.

*Monday next after the Feast of SS. Philip and James [1 May].*

**Burnett** (JOHN), of Lewsham, co. Kent, gentleman.—To John his son meadow land called "East Downes" in the parish of Lewsham aforesaid, a field called "Brackley feild," *alias* "Leven-dayell feild," and tenements in or near "Rush greene" in the same parish. To William his son tenements at Deptford and Lewsham; and to Thomas his son certain other messuages in the same parishes. Raphe his brother appointed one of his executors. His tenements in S. Clement's Lane and elsewhere in the City of

<sup>1</sup> A prison in Southwark under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Winchester, in which were chiefly confined women of bad character frequenting the Stews at Bankside. The Clink was also an extensive "liberty" or privileged place belonging to the see of Winchester.

London to be sold for the maintenance of his unmarried daughters. Bequests to his daughters Elizabeth Burnett, Mary, wife of William Farrant, and Anne, wife of William Eaton; and to Judith Moyle, his late wife's daughter. Dated 22 January, A.D. 1615.

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By an indorsement on his will he directs that certain tenements in Lewsham aforesaid shall be sold, and the proceeds devoted to the speedier raising and advancement of his daughters' portions. Dated 29 January, A.D. 1615.

Roll 295 (3).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

Pease (GEORGE), draper.—A will nuncupative to the following effect:—Memorandum that on 12 October, 1618, about eight o'clock in the evening, George Dowson, clothworker, called at the house of the testator, where he found divers other neighbours. The testator, being asked by Dowson how he had ordered his estate, replied that he had made it to his friends. Upon being further asked what he had done for his wife, he replied she was one of his friends. Then the said Dowson demanded what he had done with his dwelling-house in Burchen Lane, and whether he was willing his wife should enjoy it so long as she lived; he thereunto answered, "My will is shee shall have yt for her life or as long as shee liveth." This last question touching the said house was asked him three times over, and he answered every time as before.

Roll 295 (26\*).

*Monday the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

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1618-19.

Goddard (RICHARD), Alderman<sup>1</sup> and draper.—To the Master and Wardens, Brethren and Sisters of the Guild or Fraternity in the honour of the Blessed Mary the Virgin of the men of the Mystery of Drapers within the City of London and others and to their successors he leaves a certain messuage in the parish of S. Margaret in Lothbury, to hold to their own proper use and behoof for ever for the performance of the will of Peter Blundell,<sup>2</sup> late of Tiverton, co. Devon, dated 9 June, 41 Elizabeth [A.D. 1599], whereby the said Peter left to the master, wardens, &c., aforesaid the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds for the purchase of

<sup>1</sup> Of Dowgate Ward.

<sup>2</sup> Not enrolled in the Court of Husting.

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lands, tenements, or rents, of which sum forty shillings was to be yearly paid by them to poor prisoners in the Poultry Compter; the residue to go to the master and wardens for their pains.<sup>1</sup> Dated 3 August, A.D. 1601. Roll 295 (33).

**Goddard** (RICHARD), Alderman and draper.—To the Master and Wardens and Brethren and Sisters of the Guild or Fraternity in the honour of the Blessed Mary the Virgin of the men of the Mistery of Drapers within the City of London and others and to their successors a certain messuage in Sherborne Lane in the parish of Abchurch, to hold the same to their own proper use and behoof for ever. This devise not to be set aside by any subsequent will without special mention. Dated 7 June, 44 Elizabeth [A.D. 1602]. Roll 295 (34).

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[Roll 296 contains no enrolment of wills.]

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#### ANNO 18 JAMES I.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mildred, Virgin [20 Feb.].*

**Stawton** (PHILIP), joiner.—To Joseph his son the fee simple of his dwelling-house in Lymestreete in the parish of S. Andrew Undershaft, possession to be taken thereof after the decease of Bridgett his wife. To Elizabeth his daughter a house adjoining the above on similar terms. To his daughter Joyce, wife of Stephen Gould, the reversion of a share in the above houses in case the devisees die before coming into possession. Dated 8 January, A.D. 1617. Roll 297 (19).

<sup>1</sup> Concerning this charity Mr. Hare reported in 1861 to the effect that the sum of 40s. was annually paid to the City official who received payments for the prisons; that 1*l.* 12s. was yearly carried to the account of the master, and 6*l.* 8s. to that of the wardens of the Company; and that there did not appear to be any reason for fixing this charge upon any especial property. The Drapers' Company appear to charge themselves at the present day with 10*l.*

under Blundell's charity (see their return to the Livery Companies Commission, Appendix to Report, 1884, vol. iv. p. 221). Similar legacies were made by Blundell to several other companies for the relief of poor prisoners, but in some cases the charge has been redeemed or applied to other charitable uses under the direction of the Court of Chancery (Appendix to Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. iv. p. 310; vol. ii. pp. 390, 418).



*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

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**Wilkenson (JOHN)**, waxchandler.—To Susan his wife his freehold dwelling-house for life so long as she remain unmarried; remainder to Christopher his son, charged with the payment of eighty pounds to George his son in manner as directed. Also to his said sons fifty pounds apiece as children's portions according to the custom of the City, and a seal ring. Dated 18 June, A.D. 1613. Roll 297 (36).

ANNO 19 JAMES I.

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1621.

*Monday next after F. of SS. Tiburcius and Valerian [14 April].*

**Hawkins (DAME MARGARET)**, widow.—To be buried in the middle chancel of the church of S. Dunstan in the East near the monument erected to Sir John Hawkins<sup>1</sup> her late husband. Bequest of the sum of eight hundred pounds to be laid out on the purchase of lands or tenements towards the maintenance of a free school in Keinton,<sup>2</sup> co. Hereford. Bequests also of divers sums of money to the poor of the parishes of Keinton and Amelly, co. Hereford, Debtford, Woodford and Chigwell, co. Essex, and S. Dunstan in the East. To Charles Vaughan her dwelling-house in Minsingelane for life; remainder to his two daughters. Other tenements in the same lane, her lease of the Crane Meade and Broomefield lying in Debtford or elsewhere in the counties of Kent and Surrey, to be sold for the purposes of her will. Her nephew Stephen Price of Grayes Inne, esquire, to have a house called "the Dolphin" in Tower Street and the rectory and parsonage of Northshobery,<sup>3</sup> co. Essex, upon payment of six hundred pounds to her executors. To Mary Davies, widow, an

<sup>1</sup> The famous seaman who fought with so much distinction against the Spanish Armada as Rear-Admiral of the Fleet. For his services on that occasion he received the honour of knighthood. Born at Plymouth. Founded and endowed a hospital for seamen and shipwrights of the Royal Navy at Chatham by letters patent dated 27 August, 1594. In 1595 he accompanied his relative Sir Francis Drake to the West Indies, where he died 12 November of the same year, being sixty-three years of age. Buried at sea; but a monument to his memory was set up on the north side of the chancel of S. Dunstan's in the East, with an inscription in Latin, which is printed in Strype's edition of Stow (1720, bk. ii. p. 44), together with a long eulogy in quaint English verse, setting forth his virtues and those of Katherine his first wife.

<sup>2</sup> Kington. The endowment of the school is said to be 380*l.* per annum.

<sup>3</sup> North Shoebury.

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annuity of ten pounds, charged on her lands and tenements in the parishes of S. Pancras and S. Andrew, Holborn, which lands and tenements are to go to Anthony Lewes her servant upon payment of seven hundred pounds to her executors. Among specific bequests of chattels are the following:—To her niece Mawde Leonard her best pair of “Spanish borders,” enamelled black and trimmed with pearls, the upper border containing nineteen pieces and the nether border seven pieces; to James, son of her nephew John Vaughan of Hergest,<sup>1</sup> all the furniture of her red chamber at Luxborowe;<sup>2</sup> to the Countess of Leicester a pointed diamond ring which the Countess of Warwick gave her; to her goddaughter Margaret, daughter of Sir Richard Hawkins, Knt., a “Carcanett”<sup>3</sup> enamelled black and blue, containing eleven pieces set with sixty-six pearls, having a “Tortis”<sup>4</sup> pendant set with a blue sapphire; to her goddaughter Margaret Ireland two “Carcanettes” of gold, the one weighing two ounces and a half “lacke penny waight,” containing twenty-three pieces set with pearl, with a jewel pendant of five diamonds, the other containing eleven buttons, being massy Spanish work enamelled and set with pearls, with a jewel pendant having in it three diamonds, three rubies, and one very fair pearl; to her loving friend Sir William Killigrew, Knt., a gilded bowl; and to Lady Killigrew her Persian carpet. Numerous pecuniary legacies to her nephews, nieces, cousins, friends, and servants. Dated 23 April, A.D. 1619.

Roll 298 (5).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

Castelyn (JOHN), mercer.—To Martha his wife one half of his goods and chattels, according to the laudable custom of the City of London, and also the residue of the same, saving small sums of money which he leaves to the poor of S. Thomas's Hospital, to his cousin William Hamerton, and his sister Anne Gotobedd. Also to his said wife certain houses. Dated 12 September, A.D. 1608.

Roll 298 (27).

<sup>1</sup> Co. Salop (?).<sup>2</sup> Luxborough, co. Somerset.<sup>3</sup> Diminutive of Fr. *carcan*, neck-laces. The latter term was also applied

to the holes of the pillory for receiving the neck and hands of the victim.

<sup>4</sup> Tortoise.

ANNO 20 JAMES I.

A.D.  
1622.*Monday next after the Feast of S. Michael [29 Sept.].*

**Midleton (FRANCIS)**, the elder, "upholster."—Certain fee-farm rents issuing out of tithes of Bolton<sup>1</sup> and Carethorpe,<sup>2</sup> co. York, and, if necessary, his houses in Rutland Court in the parish of S. Andrew by the Wardrobe, to be devoted to payment of his debts. Bequests to the poor of the parishes of S. Michael in Cornhill and of Midlam,<sup>3</sup> co. York, and to divers individuals. To John, son of Nicholas Midleton, his great capital messuage in Rutland Court aforesaid, together with the advowson of the parish church of S. Andrew aforesaid, in tail male; remainder to Edward, brother of the said John. His tenements called "Cophthall" or "Beggerhall" in the aforesaid parish of S. Andrew are to go to his heir at common law. Dated 1 May, A.D. 1622.

Roll 299 (27).

**Beale (GEORGE)**.—A will nuncupative, whereby he leaves all his real estate and chattels to Katherine his wife absolutely, saving the sum of three pounds, which he gave to his brother Alexander; his best "peece" and "bandeleeres,"<sup>4</sup> which he gave to Mr. George Bingley; and his best "sadle," which he gave to William Jones. Declared on Saturday morning, 2 September, A.D. 1620.

Roll 299 (28).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*A.D.  
1622-3.

**Jeston (ROGER)**, haberdasher, dwelling in the parish of Lambeth, co. Surrey.—To the Master and Wardens of the Fraternity of the Art or Mistery of Haberdashers in the City of London and their successors certain lands and tenements in or near Grubstreete in the parish of S. Giles without Cripplegate,<sup>5</sup> charged with the yearly payment of various sums of money, amounting to one hundred and two pounds twelve shillings, as follows:—To each of six poor members of the fraternity that have been sellers or

<sup>1</sup> Bolton-upon-Swale in the North Riding.

<sup>2</sup> Carthorp in the North Riding.

<sup>3</sup> Middleham.

<sup>4</sup> Broad belts of leather, worn by musketeers over the left shoulder, to which were hung, among other things, ten or twelve cylindrical boxes, each

containing a charge of powder. The term was sometimes applied to the powder boxes themselves.

<sup>5</sup> The property devised to the Haberdashers by the testator is now represented by eighteen houses in Haberdashers' Square and six houses in Milton Street, let on lease.

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trimmers of hats or caps twelve pence weekly; to the clerk of the said company forty shillings, and to the two beadles and porter of the same forty shillings between them yearly; to Sarah Feild his sister-in-law an annuity of twenty pounds; to the poor of Lambeth and the parish of Kinver, co. Staff., the sums of three pounds and five pounds respectively; to three poor students of divinity at Trinity College, Cambridge, six pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence, members of the company or Staffordshire men being preferred; and other sums for the maintenance of a divinity lecture in the parish church of Lambeth every Sabbath day, to preachers at Paul's Cross, to hospitals, &c. The surplus of the issues and profits of the aforesaid property to be kept in stock, for the repair and maintenance of the same whenever necessary, and for loans without interest to trimmers of hats and caps free of the company.<sup>1</sup> Also to the master, wardens, &c., aforesaid a brewhouse in Barmondsey-street, lands and tenements in Deptford and Peckham, co. Kent, and messuages called "the bores head" near Moregate in the parish of S. Stephen in Colmanstreet, charged with pecuniary legacies to numerous friends and relations, gifts to the poor of Lambeth and Kinver aforesaid, &c., for payment of which the said master and wardens are to enter into a deed of covenant with the Mayor and Commonalty, &c., of London. Dated 2 April, A.D. 1622. Roll 299 (41).

#### ANNO 21 JAMES I.

*Monday next after Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

Bill (NICHOLAS), of Shenfeild, co. Essex, clerk. — To Anne

<sup>1</sup> Touching this surplus, Mr. Hare, in his Report to the Charity Commission in 1864, remarked as follows: "The residue is annually invested.....There is no probability that any occasion for the literal application of the fund will ever arise. There are not any persons of the class referred to likely to require the loans, and unless some useful application of the fund be devised, there is nothing to prevent the accumulation from continuing indefinitely"; and from the Return made by the Haberdashers' Company to the City of London Livery Companies Commission, appointed in

1880, it appears that the accumulations were at that time represented by no less a sum than 7,245*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.*, invested in 3 per cent. Reduced Annuities (Appendix to Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. iv. pp. 459, 460, and 494). The Company further reported that the annuity to the testator's sister-in-law, and a bequest to Christ's Hospital, had been purchased, and that the sum of 5*l.* left to the preachers at Paul's Cross was now paid to a poor clergyman (*id.*, vol. ii. p. 466, where the testator's name is wrongly printed as "Teston").

Horne, daughter of his late wife Jane Bill, and to Em or Emm her daughter his dwelling-house at Shenfeild with its furniture and household chattels, comprising, among other things, a pair of virginals covered with leather and a little "buckingtubb," for their lives; remainder to his nephew John Bill, to whom he leaves his house in Shenfeild called "Palmers," his messuage near or upon Gauntes Key in the parish of S. Botolph, Billingsgate, and tenements in Barbican in the parish of S. Giles without Cripplegate. To Anne Boast, daughter of his brother Doctor Bill, for life, a tenement also in Barbican; and to John Lee a messuage in S. John's Street near Smithfield. Numerous pecuniary legacies to friends and relatives, among them being one of fifty pounds to Ellen Bill, "if her father Doctor Bill doe give unto her brother John Bill the Registershipp of St. Albons freely and mediately after my decease." Dated 5 September, A.D. 1620. Roll 300 (10).

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**Saunders (JOHN)**, draper.—Gifts of money to his cousin Joseph Holbrooke, his cousin Richard Holbrooke of the University of Oxford, and others; and also to the poor of the parish of "All St. Steyninges"<sup>1</sup> in London. Confirms a lease of a messuage in the parish of All Hallows Staning to Joan Bostock his woman servant. To his cousin Christopher Frederen, "ymbroderer" of London, a messuage in Fanchurchstreete in the aforesaid parish. To his niece Mary, wife of John Hynde, the residue of his lands and tenements in the City of London and elsewhere for life; remainders over. Dated 18 May, A.D. 1614. Roll 300 (18).

# ANNO 22 JAMES I.

A.D.  
1624.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Michael [29 Sept.].*

**Pollard (JOHN)**, "broderer."—The Keepers or Wardens and Society of the Art or Mistery of the Broderers of the City of London to hold a certain tenement in Silverstreet in the parish of S. Olave (previously conveyed to them by the testator to the uses of his will), in trust to pay to each of four poor men or

<sup>1</sup> All Hallows Staining.

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widows free of the company, or of the testator's kindred by blood, being free or not free of London, twenty-four shillings yearly by quarterly instalments; twenty shillings to be spent yearly towards a dinner on the four general search days; and four shillings to be given yearly to the clerk of the company.<sup>1</sup> In case of default the property to go over to his next heirs. To Anne his wife lands and tenements in the parish of S. Mary Magdalen, in or near Old Fishstreete, for life; remainders over to Mary Staple (or Staples) his grandchild and others; remainder to the keepers or wardens, &c., aforesaid, charged, among other things, with certain payments to the parish of Merryfeild (or Merefeild),<sup>2</sup> where he was born, and to the poor of the parish of Christchurch in London, where his aforesaid wife was born, she being daughter of Mr. John Hilton, esquire. Also to his aforesaid wife his lands and tenements in the parish of Great S. Helens, London, charged with an annuity to John Pollard his son, for life, with remainders over to John Staple his grandchild, Alice Staple his daughter, and others; remainder to keepers or wardens, &c., aforesaid, charged with certain legacies to the aforesaid John Pollard his son, and the sons of the said John, as well as to the parishes of Merefeild and Christchurch aforesaid. Divers pecuniary legacies to friends and relatives. Dated 18 February, A.D. 1623.

Roll 301 (25).

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1624-5.

*Monday next after the Feast of Epiphany [6 Jan.].*

Feild (RICHARD), stationer.—To be buried in the church of S. Michael near Woodstreet. All his goods and chattels to be divided into three equal parts, according to the ancient and laudable custom of the City of London, one third of which he leaves to Jane his wife as her due, another to his children, and the residue he disposes of by various bequests, among which are the following:—Three pounds to the poor of the parish of S. Michael near Woodstreet, and ten pounds to the Company of Stationers for a drinking for the livery of the company. Also to

<sup>1</sup> In the Company's Return to the Livery Companies Commission appointed in 1880 the testator's name appears as John "Pollan." The property devised is now known as No. 27, Silver Street, which brings in 60*l.* per annum, out of

which the sum of 4*l.* 16*s.* is yearly bestowed upon the poor of the Company (Appendix to Report Livery Companies Com., 1884, vol. iii. p. 200).

<sup>2</sup> Co. Herts (?).

his aforesaid wife his messuage called "the Splayed Eagle" in the parish of S. Michael aforesaid for life; remainder to Richard his son; also certain other messuages during the minority of Samuel his son. Dated 24 November, A.D. 1624.

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Roll 301 (36).

# ANNO 1 CHARLES I.

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1625.

*Monday next after Feast of Annunciation of V. Mary [25 March].*

**Jackson** (JOSEPH), clothworker.—Certain tenements near "the ould Swanne" in the parish of S. Laurence Poultney, which he had purchased as surviving executor of Sir James Lancaster, Knt., and by direction of the will of the said James, dated 18 April, 1618, he leaves to the Masters, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Mistery of the Skynners of London and their successors, to the intent and purpose that they dispose of the issues and profits of the same to the uses declared in the will of Sir James Lancaster aforesaid, viz., fifteen pounds per annum to be given to the poor of Basingestocke, so as to increase the sum of thirty pounds per annum bequeathed by the said will to forty-five pounds per annum, and also fifteen pounds per annum to be paid in addition to a former sum of forty-five pounds bequeathed for the maintenance of three poor scholars, so as to raise the number of scholars to four.<sup>1</sup> Dated 31 December, A.D. 1623.

Roll 302 (3).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Mildred, Virgin [20 Feb.].*

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**Beamond** (MARGARET), of the parish of S. Alphege near Cripplegate, widow.—To be buried in the said parish church. Pecuniary legacies to the daughter of her late sister Isabel, her servants, and others; also to the poor children harboured in Christ's Hospital, the poor of the parish of S. Alphege, the poor prisoners in the Poultry Compter, &c. To Judith Wordsworth and to Judith Neale, daughter of the same, she leaves a tavern formerly called "the Bores head," and now "the Salutacion," near Mooregate in the parish of S. Stephen in

<sup>1</sup> These trusts, as well as others under the will of Sir James Lancaster, which will be found set out in a Report made by Mr. Hare to the Charity Commissioners in 1864, appear to be regulated

by a decree in Chancery dated 10 July, 1713. The decree is summarized by Mr. Hare in his Report (Appendix to Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. iv. p. 340).

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Colemanstreete, for their lives; remainder to Humfrey Lee.  
Dated 19 January, A.D. 1624. Roll 302 (12).

*Monday next before F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

Ayscoughe (JAMES), of the parish of S. Laurence in the Jewry.—To be buried in Nuthall Church, co. Notts, in the "Closset" belonging to the manor of Nuthall, his body being "embalmed ceared and encoffined or any other way soe as it may be carried safely in good sorte to Nuthall aforesaid w<sup>th</sup>out feare or danger of bursting open or other disgrace in the way And in a Coache or otherwise as shalbe more fitt." His house in Milkestreete to be sold, and the proceeds added to his estate for the benefit of his wife and his legacies. Dated 16 September, A.D. 1618. Roll 302 (24).

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#### ANNO 2 CHARLES I.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Martin, Bishop [11 Nov.].*

Gomersall (THOMAS), of the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate, brewer.—Pecuniary legacies to his brother John, to the sons of his late brothers William and Richard, and others. The residue of his goods and chattels he leaves to Grace his wife, together with his freehold lands and tenements absolutely. Dated 4 September, A.D. 1625. Roll 303 (23).

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1626-7.

*Monday next before the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

Mercer (JOHN), haberdasher.—Pecuniary bequests to Izan, Grace, and Mary his daughters, to Elizabeth Sharpe his daughter and John her son, and other friends and relatives. To the poor in the alley in Lumbardstreete in the parish of All Hallows forty shillings. To Mr. William Heynes his ring with the "Pawansey,"<sup>1</sup> and to his cousin Edward Siddall his "Gymball ring"<sup>2</sup> of five nobles price. To Elizabeth his wife his household

<sup>1</sup> The flower pansy; or perhaps the ring was a "posy" ring, *i.e.*, engraved with a motto or poesy.

<sup>2</sup> A "Gimmel" or double ring; connected with "gymmew" (Fr. *gemaux*, twins), a term which applied not only to a hinge composed of two parts of similar form and size joined together,

but also to anything else formed of twin pieces of like dimensions united in any manner, as a hinge or otherwise. Cf. "Gimow (or gemöll), a little rynge to weare on the finger," Higgins's edition of Huloet's Dictionary, quoted by Way ('Prompt. Parv.').



linen, plate, &c., and his messuage called "the Roe Bucke" in Lumbardstreete for life; remainder to his daughters. Dated 14 October, A.D. 1625. A.D.  
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Roll 303 (34).

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[Roll 304 contains no enrolment of wills.]

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ANNO 4 CHARLES I.

A.D.  
1628-9.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Pywell (SARAH).**—A will nuncupative. Memorandum that about the 4th day of June, 1624, she being in the house of Roger Hurst in the parish of East Greenwich, co. Kent, and sick in body though of sound and perfect memory, the said Roger came to her in the kitchen where she sat, three or four days before her death, and said unto her, "Sistar Sarah I see you are very ill. I would wishe you to dispose of yo<sup>r</sup> parte of the Rammes Head to whome you please. Whereuppon shee answered I knowe none fitter then you. Therefore I will that you and your wife have it dureing your lives and after yo<sup>r</sup> decease yo<sup>r</sup> daughter Sarah." Roll 305 (9).

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[Roll 306 contains no enrolment of wills.]

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ANNO 6 CHARLES I.

A.D.  
1630.

*Monday next before F. of Trans. of S. Edward, K. and C. [13 Oct.].*

**Buntinge (ROBERT), "whitebaker."**—To Phillippe his wife certain tenements in Iremongerlane in the parish of S. Martin Pomerye, charged with pecuniary legacies to Phillippe his daughter and Robert his son. His dwelling-house, whereof his said wife has a jointure for life, he leaves to John his son. Dated 18 March, A.D. 1621. Roll 307 (24).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Bushell (JOHN), cutler.**—To Elizabeth his wife certain tene-

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ments and leaseholds for life; remainder to John and Joseph his sons. Also to his said sons other tenements in Harpe Alley, Carriers Alley, Vine Court, and elsewhere. Forgives his brother Richardsby all such debts as are due to him; and to Elizabeth, wife of the same, he leaves a piece of gold of the value of twenty-two shillings for to make her a ring. Dated 2 May, 6 Charles I. [A.D. 1630]. Roll 307 (29).

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[Roll 308 contains no enrolment of wills.]

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#### ANNO 8 CHARLES I.

*Monday next after the Feast of Purification of V. Mary [2 Feb.].*

**Clement** (ROBERT), butcher.—To the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Art and Mistery of Butchers of the City of London and their successors the reversion of two messuages in the parish of S. Leonard on Fishestreete Hill, after his decease and the decease of Priscilla his wife, in fee. Pecuniary legacies to his sister Joane Longyer, widow, to his brothers Richard and William, and other relatives. Dated 15 May, A.D. 1632. Roll 309 (35).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Locke** (JOHN), of the parish of S. Martin.—Declaration made in the month of November following the sealing, signing, and publication of his will dated 26 October, A.D. 1632, as to devise made in the said will of certain tenements to his nephews John and Thomas Locke and Francis Moore, to wit, that he devised the same to his said nephews and their heirs equally; and if his personal estate were not sufficient to pay the legacies given by his last will, then his lands should be sold for the purpose.

Roll 309 (40).

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1633.

#### ANNO 9 CHARLES I.

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Philip and James [1 May].*

**Parris** (CHRISTOFER), girdler, of the parish of S. Peter in West-

cheape, *alias* Cheapeside.—To be buried in the said parish church. To William his son a moiety of his goods and chattels. Out of the other moiety he makes bequests to the parsons of the several churches of S. Michael at the Querne, S. Mary le Bowe, and S. Matthew in Friday Street, as well as to divers relatives and friends. To his godson Christofer Wren<sup>1</sup> a piece of gold of twenty shillings. Bequests also to S. Thomas's Hospital, poor prisoners in the Compter in Woodstreete, the poor of the parish of Bear-den,<sup>2</sup> co. Essex, where he was born, and to the Master, Wardens, Assistants, and Company of Girdlers of the City of London for a dinner. To his son-in-law John Straunge, "merchantailer," who married Elizabeth his daughter, a messuage called "the three Nuns" in the parish of S. Peter aforesaid, charged with the payment of six hundred pounds to William Parris his son. Dated 30 January, A.D. 1632.

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1633.

Roll 310 (5).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Bateman** (ROBERT), esquire, Chamberlain of the City of London.—To the Mayor, Commonalty, and citizens of London and their successors a parcel of ground used for a cellar in the parish of S. Katherine Christ Church or "Chreechurch," which he lately purchased of Nicholas Gryce, "merchanttailor," and of Joane, wife of the same, by deed dated 7 June, A.D. 1633, and enrolled<sup>3</sup> in His Majesty's Court of "Hustinges," London; to have and to hold the same to their own proper use and behoof for ever. Dated 18 November, 9 Charles I. [A.D. 1633].

Roll 310 (31).

*Monday next after F. of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

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**Meredeth** (JOHN), skinner.—To the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Art or Mistery of Skynners of the City of London and their successors the reversion of a messuage called "the Ramme," in or near West Smithfield in the parish of S. Sepulchre without Newgate,<sup>4</sup> after the decease of Elizabeth his

<sup>1</sup> Possibly the great architect himself, who at the date of the will was about three months old.

<sup>2</sup> Berden or Berdon.

<sup>3</sup> Roll 310 (23).

<sup>4</sup> In 1866 this property was, pursuant

to the Metropolitan Meat and Poultry Market Act, sold to the City for 10,000*l*. The purchase money was paid into the Court of Chancery, and was afterwards invested, with the sanction of the Court, in the purchase of freehold premises—

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wife, in trust to pay to three poor aged freemen of the Company of Skynners, and to two poor aged widows of freemen of the same, more especially those poor freemen who shall have been "up-houlsters," the weekly sum of fifteen shillings, to wit three shillings apiece, &c.; to the renter warden ten shillings yearly on taking his account; to the clerk of the company six shillings yearly; and to the two beadles three shillings each yearly.<sup>1</sup> The residue of the issues and profits to be disposed of at the discretion of the said master, wardens, and assistants without any further limitation. A similar reversion of a close or pasture ground commonly called "Clarkes Close," in the parish of S. James at Clarkenwell, he leaves to trustees, citizens and skinnners, upon trust to pay yearly to the renter warden the sum of twenty pounds, who shall thereout pay ten pounds yearly, to wit five pounds apiece, to two unbeneficed preachers until they shall be better provided for; four pounds ten shillings yearly to the poor of the parish of S. Sepulchre for coals; twenty shillings to the poor of the parish of S. Bartholomew the Less near West Smithfield; eight shillings yearly for coal for the poor prisoners in the four several prisons in London, viz., to the prisoners of the "Hole" and "two penny ward" in the Poultry and Wood Street Compters respectively, and those in Ludgate and Newgate. The residue of the issues and profits of the aforesaid close to be delivered to the renter warden of the company, to be disposed of as the master, wardens, and assistants may think fit.<sup>2</sup> To his aforesaid wife he gives a moiety of

Nos. 8 and 9, Well Court, Queen Street—in the City of London. During the interval between the payment into Court of the above sum and the reinvestment thereof (in 1872) the money was invested in 3 per Cent. Annuities by the Accountant-General, and the dividends were received by the Skinners' Company (Appendix to Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. ii. p. 395, note).

<sup>1</sup> Payment of 3s. weekly is still made to five poor women, whilst the sum of 12. 2s. is distributed among the renter warden, clerk, and two beadles.

<sup>2</sup> From the Return made by the Company of their charitable accounts for the year 1881 it appears that the various bequests to poor widows, poor preachers, the poor of the parishes of S. Sepulchre

and S. Bartholomew the Less, &c., continue to be strictly paid, the whole charge on the property devised amounting to 55*l.* 12*s.* The Company seem, however, to have dealt more liberally with the estate at the time when Mr. Hare reported to the Charity Commissioners in 1864, for the sum then expended on the specific objects mentioned in the testator's will amounted to no less a sum than 203*l.* 6*s.* The residue, moreover, of the issues and profits of the premises devised, Mr. Hare states, was dealt with by the Company as a fund for general charity at their discretion, without any legal obligation in that direction whatsoever (Appendix to Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. iv. p. 341).

his goods and chattels, according to the ancient and laudable custom of the City of London; out of the residue he leaves fifty pounds to Christopher *alias* Cadwallader Meredith his brother, if his said brother be alive at the end of six months after his decease, otherwise the money is to be bestowed upon the new building of the north "Ile" of the parish church of Myvod,<sup>1</sup> where he was born. Bequests also to the children of his late brother Robert and others, and the hospitals of S. Bartholomew and Bridewell. Dated 16 April, 6 Charles I. [A.D. 1630].

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Memorandum that on 21 May, 1630, the testator caused the following words, viz., (*and my wife*) to be interlined in the eighth sheet, (*freelie*) to be interlined in the ninth sheet, and (*to buy foure chaldrons*) to be struck out of the tenth sheet of this his present last will and testament, and then did ratify the same as amended to be his last will and testament in the presence of Humfrey Dyson, notary public, and others.

Roll 310 (39).

#### ANNO 10 CHARLES I.

A.D.  
1634.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Edmund, King* [20 Nov.].

Ardington (WILLIAM), butcher.—To the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Art or Mistery of Butchers of the City of London and their successors a certain messuage in the parish of S. Andrew Hoberd, to have and to hold the same to their own proper use and behoof for ever. Dated 4 July, A.D. 1632.

Roll 311 (26).

#### ANNO 11 CHARLES I.

A.D.  
1635.

*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam* [6 May].

Lese (SAMUEL), clothworker.—Bequests to poor prisoners in Newgate and Ludgate and the two compters, to S. Paul's Church for pious uses, to the chief parishioners of the church of S. Andrew in Holborn towards a friendly meeting of the said parishioners within the freedom at a supper, to Robert Nixon dwelling in Norwich, and others. To Isabel Harrison his servant he leaves his dwelling-house called "the Rainebowe" near Holborne Bridge for a term of ten years; remainder to the Worshipful the Master, Wardens, and Society of the Clothworkers of London and their

<sup>1</sup> Myfod, co. Montgomery.

A.D. 1635. successors, together with a tenement in Mutton Lane in the parish of S. James, Clarkenwell, for ever. Dated 26 April, A.D. 1634. Roll 312 (10).

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1636.

# ANNO 12 CHARLES I.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Boniface, Bishop [5 June].*

**Bonham** (WILLIAM), vintner.—To Thomas and Edward his sons all his tenements, &c. (with certain exceptions), in co. Suffolk, in successive tail; remainder to his daughter. Bequests to the poor of the parishes of Ashbocking and Swilland.<sup>1</sup> Also to his aforesaid sons his lands and tenements in Paternoster Row in the parish of S. Michael at Querne in London. To Anne his wife one third part of his goods and chattels; to his aforesaid sons, being yet unadvanced (all his daughters having been already preferred in marriage and fully advanced), he leaves another third; and the residue he leaves to numerous friends and relatives and to Christ's Hospital. Also to Edward his son his leaseholds in or near Hart Street in the parish of S. Olave, and a parcel of ground called "Blauneh Chappleton"<sup>2</sup> in their vicinity. To Mary Downes his daughter his leaseholds in or near the Old Change. To Hellen his daughter, wife of Henry Proby, one hundred ounces of white silver plate. Mention made of Fraunces his daughter, wife of John Sidwaie; Anne his daughter, wife of Benjamin Henshawe; and Elizabeth his daughter, wife of Thomas Dilke. Dated 31 January, A.D. 1628. Roll 313 (5).

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[Roll 314 contains no enrolment of wills.]

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# ANNO 14 CHARLES I.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Petronilla, Virgin [31 May].*

**Chappell** (STEPHEN), of the parish of S. Sepulchre without

<sup>1</sup> Both these parishes are in co. Suffolk. north-east corner of Mark Lane (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 57).

<sup>2</sup> The name of a manor situate at the

Newgate, vintner.—Memorandum that, having been desired by Alice his wife to make his will, he, being sick in body and having taken the Holy Sacrament, answered that he had already made his will divers years since, which he said remained in his study. Having caused the same to be brought, the same was opened and publicly read to him; which being done, he the said Stephen did again acknowledge and publish the same to be his will. Thereupon being further moved by a friend and neighbour then present to say how he would dispose of certain lands and tenements which he had purchased five years after the date of his then published will,<sup>1</sup> he answered that his children should have the same, share and share equally, which words or words to that effect were spoken and uttered by the said Stephen Chappell in the month of July, A.D. 1637.

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Roll 315 (15).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

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1638-9.

Chislett (WILLIAM), tallowchandler.—Bequests for a funeral sermon, also to the poor of the parish of All Hallows in the Wall, the poor of the Company of Tallowchandlers, the poor of the parish of Sandhurst, co. Berks, the children of Christ's Hospital, and numerous friends and relatives. To Emmett his wife mesuages in Marklane, in the parishes of All Saints Barking and S. Olave in Hartstreete, for life; remainders over. Dated 5 May, A.D. 1630.

Roll 315 (26).

*[Roll 316 contains no enrolment of wills.]*

## ANNO 16 CHARLES I.

A.D.  
1640.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Mark, Evangelist [25 April].*

Charley (EDWARD), barber-surgeon.—To Dionezia his wife all his

<sup>1</sup> Prior to the Wills Act (7 Will. IV. and 1 Vict. c. 26) a testator could by will dispose only of such lands and tenements as he was possessed of at the time of making his will, so that lands purchased after the date of the will could not be affected by any of its dispositions, but descended to the heir at law. It was enacted, however, by the Act mentioned (sec. 24) that every will should be construed, with reference to

the property comprised in it, to speak and take effect as if it had been executed immediately before the death of the testator, unless a contrary intention should appear by the will. So that a man may now dispose by his will, not only of all such real estate as he is, at the time of making his will, possessed of, but also of all he may subsequently acquire.

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personal estate, messuages in the parish of S. Michael Basseishawe, and a leasehold house in Petty France.<sup>1</sup> To George Stanton a messuage in Colbrook,<sup>2</sup> co. Bucks, called "the Pye," for life; remainder to Charles, the eldest son of the same. Among other bequests he leaves to his wife's son William his silver "plaister Box" and all his instruments, with books, &c., in his chest of surgery. Bequests also to the poor of Colbrook, co. Bucks, and for and towards a new bridge there which parts the two shires,<sup>3</sup> to the poor of Standwell<sup>4</sup> if he be buried there, but not otherwise, the Company of Chirurgeons for a supper, the poor of the parish of S. Michael Basseishaw, &c. Also to his aforesaid wife a messuage in Phillipp Lane, and another in "St Mary Acts"<sup>5</sup> in the parish of S. Andrew Undershaft. His wife to forfeit all legacies if she claims any thirds or title of dower according to the custom of the City of London. Dated 26 January, A.D. 1639.

Roll 317 (4).

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1641.

## ANNO 17 CHARLES I.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Leonard, Abbot [6 Nov.].*

**Lownes** (THOMAS), of Wansworth, gentleman.—To Thomazine his wife houses, &c., in Hempsteed, Radwinter, and Walden, co. Essex, also in Swann Alley near East Smithfield, in Fetterlane, Old Fishstreete, and in Mere Meade, and the rents and profits of his houses in Ratcliffe high way, together with household stuff, bed linen, &c., all of which he gives her in lieu of her thirds of lands, chattels, and goods, desiring her to let his three daughters, Elizabeth, Susan, and Anne, have all his said household stuff, &c., after her decease. To William his son his leasehold

<sup>1</sup> A name given to a quadrant in the parish of S. Botolph without Bishopsgate, from its being the resort of Frenchmen (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., 1876, p. 62). Cf. Petty Wales and Little Britain.

<sup>2</sup> Colnbrook.

<sup>3</sup> The bridge spanning the river Coln at Colnbrook, dividing the counties of Middlesex and Bucks.

<sup>4</sup> Stanwell, situate between Colnbrook and Staines.

<sup>5</sup> "In St. Marie street had ye of old time a parish church of St. Marie the

Virgin, St. Ursula, and the eleven thousand Virgins, which church was commonly called St. Marie at the Axe, of the sign of an axe, over against the east end thereof, or St. Marie Pellipar, of a plot of ground lying on the north side thereof, pertaining to the Skinners in London. This parish, about the year 1565, was united to the parish church of St. Andrew Undershaft, and so was St. Mary at the Axe suppressed and letten out to be a warehouse for a merchant" (Stow's 'Survey,' Thoms's ed., p. 61).



interests near Fleetbridge and in Holborne; and to Robert and John his sons his leaseholds in Westminster and Whitechappell, and the reversion of other property left to his aforesaid wife for life. To Anne Hunt his daughter the reversion of his houses and gardens in "Meremead." Bequests to the poor of the parishes of Wannsworth and of S. Bride. Dated 4 January, A.D. 1638.

Roll 318 (17).

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1641.

### ANNO 18 CHARLES I.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Dunstan, Abp. [19 May].*

**Martin** (WILLIAM), of Lindridge.<sup>1</sup>—His feoffees of all his lands and tenements to sell the same for providing portions to the value of seven or eight hundred pounds for each of his children. If Thomas his son die his daughters are then to have each of them one thousand pounds. Mention made of Richard his brother and of George Wescombe his father-in-law. Dated 1 March, A.D. 1640.

Roll 319 (6).

A.D.  
1642.

### ANNO 19 CHARLES I.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Bowyer** (WILLIAM), tallowchandler.—To Thomasine his wife certain messuages in Fanchurchstreete, in the Poultry, and in Frydaystreete already settled upon her for life. To William his son the reversion of tenements in Fanchurchstreete, together with others in Marke Lane, a messuage called "the Sunne" in Frydaystreete, and another called "the Bell" in Distaffelane. To John his son the reversion of tenements in the Poultry and Frydaystreete, a leasehold tenement in S. Mary Axe, and his land called "the Crosse Keyes" in co. Essex. Bequests to the poor brethren of the Company of Tallowchandlers, the poor of Christ's Hospital, &c., and to divers friends and relatives. His executors not to sue or molest his wife for any money she may have in her hands for "vailes" or otherwise beyond the sum of eighty pounds, and she is to be allowed to remain in his dwelling-house for the space of a year and a day after his decease if she shall so please. The

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<sup>1</sup> Co. Devon.

**A.D.** livery of his company to follow his corpse to church. Dated  
**1643.** 4 November, A.D. 1643. Roll 319 (44).

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**1644.**

# ANNO 20 CHARLES I.

*[Date of Session of Court omitted.]*

**Lovett (MARGARET)**, of the parish of S. Michael, Wood Street, widow.—To her daughter Clare Trumper, widow, a tenement in the parish of S. Nicholas Coleabby in Old Fish Street, charged with the payment of an annuity to her daughter Anne, wife of John Thomas, apothecary. To her sister Hellen Banes of Shrewsbury one half of her wearing apparel. Dated 21 June, A.D. 1638. Roll 320 (12).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Morgan (GRIFFITH)**, grocer.—To Thomas Edmondes his son the rents and profits of his several tenements in Bell Yard and in [the parishes of] S. Peter and S. Bennett by Pauleswarfe. His goods, chattels, &c., to be divided into three equal parts, whereof he leaves one part to Rachel his wife, and another to be divided between Susan and Anne his daughters; the residue to be devoted to his burial. Also to his said daughters he leaves the reversion of his dwelling-house after the decease of his wife, charged with the payment of five pounds to their sister Margaret Edmondes and ten pounds to Elizabeth and Susan, daughters of the said Margaret. Dated 6 May, A.D. 1636. Roll 320 (13).

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**1645.**

# ANNO 21 CHARLES I.

*Monday next after the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul [29 June].*

**Hardwen (THOMAS)**, citizen and cook.—To Thomas Powis of Newbold Pacy, co. Warwick, gentleman, and Elizabeth, wife of the same, all his freehold lands and tenements in and about the City of London and in Whitechappell, co. Middlesex, and all his copyhold lands in the parishes of Wormley and Cheston, co. Herts, to hold the same in tail on condition they pay his debts, &c. To his grandchildren James Sill and Hardwen Ailworth fifty shillings

respectively; and to Hanna his wife ten pounds and a bed and fittings. Dated 2 February, A.D. 1641. Roll 321 (7).

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1645.

## ANNO 22 CHARLES I.

A.D.  
1646.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Manwaring** (RICHARD), of the parish of "Yeatby,"<sup>1</sup> co. Southampton, gentleman.—To Mary his wife all his goods and chattels and his lands and tenements in Fleet Lane in the parish of S. Sepulchre absolutely; also the rents of tenements in Seacoale Lane, George Alley, and Peacocke Alley in the same parish until Matthew his son shall come of full age of twenty-one years, when his said son is to enjoy one half of the said rents. A bequest of four pounds per annum to John his brother in certain events. Dated 11 April, A.D. 1643. Roll 321 (33).

## ANNO 23 CHARLES I.

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*Monday next after F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Bell** (ALICE, widow of ROBERT), of Colchester, co. Essex.—Her copyhold messuage where she lately dwelt, as also her freeholds in Wimbledon, co. Surrey, to be sold by her executors for payment of legacies as set out. To Katherine, widow of John Potter and sister to her late husband Robert Bell, the sum of three hundred pounds conditionally. Bequests also to Walter, son of Sir William Walter, of Sarsden, Knt., Mary, wife of Sir Thomas Clarke, of Putney, Knt., and many others; also to the poor of Leonard's parish in Colchester, and the poor prisoners in the King's Bench, White Lyon, and Marshallseas. To John Vickers and Katherine his wife certain tenements in Leadenhall Street in the parish of S. Peter in Cornhill, charged with the payment of certain annuities. To Olive and Katherine Vickers her goddaughters a silver basin and ewer and a silver chafing dish. Dated 8 September, A.D. 1646. Roll 322 (12).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Hawes** (THOMAS), citizen and salter.—Certain lands, parcel of

<sup>1</sup> Afterwards written "Yeatlie," now known as Yateley, co. Hants.

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the Great Breach near Erith, co. Kent, to be reconveyed to a Mr. Copenbergh on payment of six hundred and fifty pounds, or else sold. Out of the proceeds he leaves divers sums to Nicholas his brother and to his sister. Certain leasehold houses in London and copyhold lands in Enfeild to go as John Shipton, grocer, shall appoint. Anne his wife to enjoy a life estate in Leesney Abbey and the manors of Leesney and Fautes, co. Kent, and to receive the sum of one thousand pounds out of the said manors, charged with two annual payments of five pounds to the parishes of S. Mildred in Bredstreet and S. Mildred in the Poultry towards providing bread and wine for the communion table; remainder to Christ's Hospital<sup>1</sup> for the relief of the poor there, subject to the same charges. Also to his said wife he leaves a messuage in Bredstreet in fee, and the residue of his goods after discharge of certain legacies. Dated 12 September, A.D. 1633.—Two codicils, by the first of which he wills that the sum bequeathed to his sister shall be deposited with the Company of Scriveners, his sister to enjoy the interest thereon at the rate of six per cent.; by the second he leaves thirty pounds to the poor.

Roll 322 (30).

**Hawes (ANNE)**, widow, of the parish of S. Mildred, Bread Street.—To be buried in the church of S. Bartholomew near the Exchange.<sup>2</sup> Among other bequests she leaves to Anne, daughter of Thomas Tewson her cousin, her red silk quilt and one of her small gold chains or necklaces; to Mary, another daughter of the said Thomas, one of her gilt silver cups; to her cousin Margaret Tewson her first wedding ring; to her sister Mary Cout (Cont?) the elder her second wedding ring; to her cousin Jane Browne her third wedding ring; and to Sarah, daughter of the said Jane, her grandmother's wedding ring. To her cousin John Hodges her dwelling-house in the parish of S. Mildred aforesaid, charged with certain annuities. Also to her cousin Jane Browne a tene-

<sup>1</sup> The validity of the testator's will is said to have been long disputed, and the hospital did not obtain possession of the property to which it was entitled till 1652. The manors of Leesney and Fautes appear to have been lost by non-user since the year 1700. The charges of 5*l.* to each of the parishes of S. Mildred, Bread Street, and S. Mil-

dred in the Poultry are regularly paid, the residue of the rents being carried to the general account of the hospital (Report of Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities in England and Wales, 1837, No. 32, part vi. p. 123).

<sup>2</sup> The first instance of the parish being thus described in the Husting wills.

ment adjoining her dwelling-house, called "the three Bowles," for life; remainder to Anne Tewson aforesaid. Dated 27 August, A.D. 1646.—A codicil of the same date, whereby, among other bequests, she leaves to Margaret Tewson a red cloth mantle and a set of gold hat buttons.

Roll 322 (31).

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# ANNO 24 CHARLES I.

*Monday next before F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Fetherston (HENRY)**, of London, esquire.—To be buried in the porch of S. Ann Blackfryers beside his late wife. His leasehold messuage called "the Three Pigeons" in Paules churchyard to be held in trust for Heneage his son and Grace his daughter and the heirs of their respective bodies. Also to his said daughter two thousand pounds in money, all his plate, jewels, and linen in Mr. Fulwell's trunk, and his "quilted taffatie coverlett." To his nephew George Thomason his quarter part of the ship called "the Phillip." Bequests to the poor of the parish of S. Ann aforesaid, the poor of Bridewell, poor men and women of the Company of Stacioners, &c., and to numerous relatives, friends, and servants. Also to his daughter Grace he leaves tenements in High Holborne in lieu of her customary portion of his personal estate. His manors of Hassingbrooke and Cabbournes in the parish of Stanford le Hope, co. Essex, his farm called "Stewards" in Much Stanbridge, co. Essex, lands and tenements in South Shoberry, East and West Tilbury, Hornedon on the Hill, Burstead, and Canedon in co. Essex, as well as within the precinct of Blackfryers, London, in Beare Courte in the parish of S. Andrew in the Wardrobe, in Whitecrossestreete in the parish of S. Giles without Creplegate, in Sempringham Courte in S. Sepulchre's parish, and on Newfishstreete Hill, and elsewhere in the realms of England and Ireland, except those already devised to his daughter, he leaves to his executors for a term of four years in trust for the maintenance of his daughter, payment of legacies, &c.; remainder to Heneage his son, on attaining the age of twenty-one years, in tail; remainder to his daughter Grace in tail; remainders over to his brother Edward for life, and others. Dated 1 March, A.D. 1646.

Roll 323 (5).

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A.D. 1648-9. *Monday next before the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul* [25 Jan.].

**Boylson** (THOMAS), clothworker.—To the Master, Wardens, Assistants, and Commonalty of the Mistery of Clothworkers he leaves the sum of eight hundred pounds in trust for a weekly lecture at Burton on Trent, co. Staff.; the preacher to receive yearly the sum of thirty-one pounds four shillings, and the clerk sixteen shillings;<sup>1</sup> and in case of discontinuance, a moiety of the dividends is to go to Christ's Hospital, and the other moiety to be retained by the Clothworkers' Company, during the discontinuance, and no longer. To his nephew John Boylson his lands and tenements in Ansley in the parish of Rolleston, co. Staff.; to Henry, brother of the said John, lands and tenements known by the name of "Lawrence Hey" in the same parish; and to Richard Boylson his dwelling-house in Fanchurchstreete in London. Bequests to his sisters Jane Cotchete and Katherine Jackson, to the sons of his late brother John, to Thomas, son of his brother Edward, and others. To the parish of S. Gabriel Fanchurch, where he then lived, the sum of fifty pounds for the increase of their stock, and a like sum to the poor of Christ's Hospital. Dated 1 July, A.D. 1648. Roll 323 (36).

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# ANNO DOMINI 1649.

*Monday next before F. of Nativity of S. John Baptist* [24 June].

**Yeend** (ABRAHAM), of the parish of S. Magnus near London Bridge, "Marchaunttailor."—To be buried with his wife in the church of S. Magnus aforesaid. Bequests to Christ's Hospital, S. Thomas's, and S. Bartholomew's, poor prisoners in the two competers, the Ludgate and Fleete, the King's Bench, Marshalsea and Compter in Southwark, the poor in the parish of S. Magnus, &c.; also to the wife and children of his late brother John, and others. To the Company of Marchanttailors in London he leaves one hundred pounds, in trust to lend to two young men of the company using the trade of a linen or woollen

<sup>1</sup> The testator's name is given as "Boylston" in the Company's Return. The sum of 32*l.*, says Mr. Hare, is still paid annually to the lecturer at Burton. upon-Trent (usually the vicar of the parish), upon a certificate that the lecture has been delivered (Appendix to Report Liv. Comp. Com., 1884, iv. 573).

draper, fifty pounds apiece for five years gratis, and so from five years to five years for ever. The "cornemonie"<sup>1</sup> which the company owe him he leaves to six of the poorest women of the said company who have failed to obtain a sister's house at Tower Hill. The residue of his goods, after discharge of specific bequests, he leaves to the children of his three brothers, Richard, William, and James. His lands and tenements in or near Northumberland Alley in the City of London to be sold, and the proceeds added to his personal estate. His doubtful and desperate debts<sup>2</sup> to be compounded by his executors. Date wanting.<sup>3</sup>

By codicil he makes a devise to the sons of his brother James in successive tail male, and among other bequests leaves to his said brother all wearing apparel, both silk and stuff, linen and woollen, with certain exceptions. Dated 6 September, A.D. 1648.

By a second codicil he revokes a portion of a bequest made to Elizabeth, daughter of Richard Yeend, and leaves ten pounds to the poor of Ashchurche<sup>4</sup> parish, where he was born. Dated 28 December, A.D. 1648.

Roll 324 (20).

# ANNO DOMINI 1650.

*Monday next before the Feast of SS. Philip and James [1 May].*

**Dryhurst** (FRANCIS), merchant tailor.—To Alice his wife a messuage in Burchinlane for life; remainder to his kinsman Hugh Clough and Jane, wife of the same. To his kinsmen Nathaniel and Thomas Wicks the lease of his dwelling-house in the parish of S. Olave, Hartestreete. Dated 10 March, A.D. 1641.

Roll 325 (6).

*[Rolls 326 and 327 contain no enrolment of wills.]*

<sup>1</sup> On occasions of threatened famine in the City of London it was customary for the Mayor to raise a sum of money for the purchase of corn by assessment upon the several livery companies, the corn so provided being stored in the granaries of the Bridgehouse, which were let to the companies for the purpose by the Mayor and Aldermen. During the Civil War the companies suffered so much from forced loans that many were compelled to sell or pawn

their plate, and otherwise raise money. The testator, no doubt, had advanced money to his own company to enable them to provide their quota of corn (see Herbert's 'Livery Companies,' i. 132-150).

<sup>2</sup> *I.e.*, money owing to the testator.

<sup>3</sup> The Roll is imperfect, the ends of nearly every membrane having apparently been eaten away by rats or mice.

<sup>4</sup> Co. Gloucester.

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1653.

## ANNO DOMINI 1653.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas [11 June].*

**Morecroft** (JOHN), apothecary.—To be buried in the church of S. Dunstan in the West, as near as may be to the place where his wife lies buried. To Richard his son his dwelling-house and other messuages in Fleetstreete in the parish of S. Dunstan, and the sum of three thousand pounds. To John his son two thousand pounds. To William his son two messuages in Fleetstreete in the parish of S. Dunstan aforesaid. Various bequests of money to friends, relatives, and servants. Dated 9 March, A.D. 1652. Roll 328 (10).

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## ANNO DOMINI 1653.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Scolastica, Virgin [10 Feb.].*

**Handson** (RAPHE), ironmonger.—To the Master and Keepers or Wardens and Commonalty of the Mistery of Ironmongers, London, and to their successors, his messuages and gardens in Croched Fryers in the parish of S. Olave, Hart Street,<sup>1</sup> in trust to pay certain annuities to the three daughters of Nicholas Leate, ironmonger, and others; and further to pay yearly to the master of the free school in the parish of S. Saviour in Southwark twenty shillings; to the usher ten shillings; to the churchwardens of the parish for poor widows and orphans five pounds; for a sermon to be preached in the church of All Hallows Stayning on S. Mark's Day twenty shillings, and a like sum to the churchwardens of the said parish to distribute in bread to the poor on the same day yearly; to the clerk and sexton five shillings; to the churchwardens fifty shillings for a yearly dinner on the same day; also to twenty poor ancient widows or others of the said mistery five pounds yearly, to wit, five shillings apiece; to the wardens of the livery forty shillings yearly; to the two rent-gatherers twenty shillings; to the clerk of the mistery annually forty shillings, and to the upper beadle ten shillings; to the

<sup>1</sup> The property consisted of extensive warehouses, in which the interest of the East India Company was purchased by the East and West India Dock Company, who pay the Ironmongers' Company annually the rent of 300*l.*, deducting property tax (Mr. Hare's Report on the Company's charities, 1861, printed in Appendix to Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. iv. p. 537).



wardens of the yeomanry of the said mistery forty shillings for two suppers yearly; to the four poor almsfolk of the company in Breadstreet twenty shillings apiece annually; and to Christ's Hospital, S. Bartholomew's, Bridewell, and S. Thomas's forty shillings apiece yearly.<sup>1</sup> The residue of the rents and profits to be bestowed by the master, wardens, &c., yearly at their good discretion for relief of the poor, reparations, and such other necessities as they may think fit.<sup>2</sup> Dated 9 January, A.D. 1653. Roll 329 (4).

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### ANNO DOMINI 1654.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Benedict, Abbot [21 March].*

**Greendon** (ROGER), of the parish of S. Bride, cutler.—Memorandum that he died about the 23rd of December, A.D. 1650, in the parish of S. Martin in the Fields, and upon or about the 11th day of December aforesaid he did in a serious manner declare that he would and did give to Mary his wife all the estate he had in the world. Whereupon his wife said to him these or the like words, "Sweetheart you have often sayd you would give yo<sup>r</sup> sister Draet twenty pounds; and somethinge to her children," and likewise something to the girl that he had brought up and kept, and also reminded him of his kinsman Henry Greendon, a watchmaker, and [blank] Greendon, a cutler; to which the said Roger replied that he would have his wife give his sister "Drosett" twenty pounds, and to her children five pounds apiece, and to Henry Greendon the watchmaker forty shillings, and to his cousin Greendon, cutler in Cheapside, his free land in Harpe Alley in Shoe Lane after the decease of his wife, and to Susan, the girl he had brought up, twenty pounds. All which words or the very like in effect he the said Roger did utter and declare with an intent they should stand for his last will and testament in the presence of witnesses.

Roll 329 (26).

<sup>1</sup> The several perpetual annuities belonging to the charity, amounting to the sum of 35*l.* 15*s.*, were redeemed by the Company in 1876, pursuant to an order of the Charity Commissioners, by the transfer of a sum of 1,200*l.* Consols to the Official Trustees of Charitable Funds.

<sup>2</sup> The Company, whilst regarding the

residue as being, by the terms of the devise, at their own absolute disposal, have nevertheless been in the habit of appropriating considerable sums out of it annually in aid of other charities whose funds may from time to time prove insufficient, *e.g.* Betton's charity.

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1654.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

**Speeringe (JOHN)**, esquire.—To Anne his wife his messuages in Redcrossestreete in the parish of S. Giles without Criplegate, and his copyhold land held of the manor of Muckinge. To Mary his sister ten pounds and a suit of diaper linen. To his good father-in-law Captain Silverlocke a ring of twenty shillings value. His wife to satisfy his debts, which he conceives not to exceed two hundred pounds. Dated 22 November, A.D. 1654.

Roll 329 (36).

**FOX (RALFE)**, of High Holborne, co. Middlesex, gentleman.—To Daniel Fox his son and Christopher Randall, gentleman, his son-in-law, he leaves certain messuages called “the Maydenhead and Plough” and “the Nags Head and Rainebowe,” in the parish of “Saint All-Hallowes” in Honylane in or near Cheapside, and other messuages in Whitecrossestreete in the parish of S. Giles without Criplegate, for a term of five years in trust to rebuild the messuages in Honylane; remainder to George and John his sons in several tail; remainder to the aforesaid Daniel in tail; remainder over. Also to the said Daniel he leaves the manor of Brookehale or Brockehale in co. Essex, his manor of Bowerhall, the site and capital messuage of the manor of Rewsalls, and his other messuages whatsoever, in co. Essex or elsewhere, in tail; remainder to John his son in tail; remainder over. Also to the said Daniel his leasehold lands called “Hoppinges” and the Lastall<sup>1</sup> called “Isslington,” charged with an annuity to Mary Randall his daughter, and the payment of twenty pounds a year to Anne his daughter until her marriage. His wife to enjoy a life interest in his leasehold dwelling-house, with furniture, plate, &c., on condition she bar herself of her dower or thirds of his real estate; remainder to his children, share and share alike. Bequests of four pounds to the poor of the parish of S. Andrew in Holborn above the Barres, and a like sum to the poor of the same parish below the Barres. Dated 6 January, A.D. 1638.

By codicil he revokes the above devise to Daniel his son and Christopher Randall for term of years, and leaves the aforesaid messuages to Daniel alone for the same term. To his

<sup>1</sup> Laystall.

daughter Grace Turner he gives a legacy of ten pounds. Dated  
12 January, A.D. 1638. Roll 329 (37).

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1654.

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[*Roll 330 contains no enrolment of wills.*]

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ANNO DOMINI 1656.

A.D.  
1656.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Edmund, King [20 Nov.].*

**Hawkins** (SIR STEPHEN), Knt.—To Mary, wife of Priam Davies, the issues and profits (not otherwise disposed of) of his tenements in Bishoppes Court in the Old Baily in the parish of S. Sepulchre for life after the decease of her husband. To Mary, wife of Robert Birkhead, an annuity of thirty pounds after the decease of her husband. To Edward Sackvill an annual rent-charge of twenty pounds for life; and to Edward Panton, to whom the above tenements are left in trust, a like bequest and all his personal estate. Dated 25 May, A.D. 1655. Roll 331 (28).

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Lucia, Virgin [13 Dec.].*

**Clarke** (WILLIAM), of Barkhamsted St. Peter, co. Herts.—To Samuel his son messuages in the parish of S. Andrew in or near the Great Wardropp, charged with annuities to his four daughters, viz., Mary Shermantine, Lydia Lawrence, Sarah Humphrey, and Anne Hollins; also a messuage called “the Christopher” and others in the same parish, so that the said Samuel pay to William his son half the yearly rent for the space of ten years. To Elizabeth his wife his dwelling-house, &c., in Barkhamsted St. Peter aforesaid for life; remainder to his daughter Martha. Dated 29 April, A.D. 1647. Roll 331 (31).

ANNO DOMINI 1657.

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1657-8.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Wulstan, Bishop [19 Jan.].*

**Day** (JOHN), of Fulham, co. Middlesex, gentleman.—Pecuniary bequests to John and James his sons, Elizabeth and Anne his daughters. To Mary his wife all his lands and tenements held

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of the lord of the manor of Stepney, *alias* Stebenheath, co. Middlesex, and elsewhere, for her to sell and dispose of the same as she shall please for the better maintenance of herself and children. Dated 15 September, A.D. 1657. Roll 332 (34).

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[Rolls 333, 334, and 335 contain no enrolment of wills.]

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1663.

#### ANNO 15 CHARLES II.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Boniface, Bishop [5 June].*

**Mulson** or **Moulson** (THOMAS), of Wheelocke, co. Chester, esquire.—To be buried in his own “Ile” in the parish church of Sandbach.<sup>1</sup> To his nephew Thomas Steephens all his manors, lands, &c., whatsoever in tail male, charged with payment of legacies contained in schedule annexed; remainders over to Edward, brother of the said Thomas, Nicholas and Thomas Ranton his sister’s sons, in successive tail male, subject to similar charges. Bequests of sums of money to his mother, his brother John Steephens, Alderman Kenericke, and many others. Dated 6 September, A.D. 1648.

A codicil whereby he makes divers pecuniary bequests to individuals, and leaves to the parish of “Sandbeach” the sum of two pounds ten shillings, to be disposed of by the churchwardens on the day of his burial in the town of Sandbeach. Dated 24 September, A.D. 1648. Roll 336 (7).

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1664.

#### ANNO 16 CHARLES II.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Michael [29 Sept.].*

**Massey** (THOMAS), girdler.—A will nuncupative. Being asked by Alice his wife how he wished to dispose of his estate, he replied to this effect:—“Wife you have been a great paynes-taker with Me and a helper in the getting of that estate I have and to whom should I leave it but unto you because We have bought it with

<sup>1</sup> Co. Chester.

our labour Therefore I doe leave and give it all unto thyselfe." Which words or the like in effect were spoken by the said Thomas Massey with a serious intent to make and declare his last will and testament on or about the 24th of September, A.D. 1661.

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1664.

Roll 337 (12).

## ANNO 18 CHARLES II.

A.D.  
1666-7.

*Monday next after the Feast of Epiphany [6 Jan.].*

**Reeve (RICHARD)**, of the parish of S. Paul, Covent Garden, cordwainer, but dying at Hampstead, co. Middlesex.—Memorandum that on or about the 7th of January, A.D. 1665, the said Richard, with an intent and purpose to make and declare his last will and testament nuncupative, uttered these words following or the like in effect, viz.:—"I heare that John Reeve is enquiring after my death but I am resolved I will leave him nothing but what my father hath left him by his will. I give all my estate to my wife and because I see and consider her troubles I take paines and spend my spiritts to write memorandums and notes of my concerns that she may have as little trouble as may bee." Which words or the like in effect the said Richard did utter and speak in a serious manner, and with an intent to settle and dispose of his estate as aforesaid, and that the same should stand and be for his last will and testament.

Roll 338 (25).

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[Rolls 339 and 340 contain no enrolment of wills.]

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## ANNO 22 CHARLES II.

A.D.  
1669-70.

*Monday the Feast of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas [7 March].*

**Harris (JOHN)**, girdler.—To Hester his wife her customary third part of his personal estate, to his children another third, and the residue, called "the testator's third parte," he proceeds to dispose of by making bequests to William his brother, Alice, widow of his brother Daniel, his sister Alice Browne and her

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children, Roger Marks his brother-in-law, and divers others. To the poor of the Company of Girdlers, London, he leaves five pounds; to the churchwardens of the parish of All Hallows, Breadstreete, twenty pounds for the repair of the parish church; and to the poor of Kevill<sup>1</sup> ten pounds. Also to William his son he gives his lands and tenements called "Castle Meades" near the city of Gloucester, and messuages in the parish of All Hallows, Breadstreete, in London. To Laurence his son lands and grounds called "Rignes stile grounds" in or near the city of Gloucester. To Ezra his son his copyhold and freehold messuages in Harlow and Latton, co. Essex. His wife to take the rents and profits of the estates so devised to his three sons, and to hold the same in trust for their maintenance and education until they arrive at full age, retaining only one third of the same as her dower. To John his son certain annuities charged on the manor farm of Churcham, co. Gloucester, which farm he leaves to his aforesaid wife for life, with remainder to William his son in fee, charged with the said annuities. The testament contained in eight sheets of paper, to which he set his hand and seal after the mending of the word "fifty" and interlining of the word "tenn" in the third leaf, such alteration having been made before the ensealing thereof. Dated 14 July, A.D. 1653. Roll 341 (15).

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## ANNO 23 CHARLES II.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Mathias, Apostle [24 Feb.].*

**Pigeon (ELIZABETH)**, widow.—To Mary Mountague her sister lands and tenements in Wappecloth and Holbrick droves,<sup>2</sup> co. Linc., so that the said Mary first pay the sum of forty pounds to her executrix. To Ebeneasor her son her moneys underwritten in the East India Company<sup>3</sup> in the name of her brother Edward Thorold. To Elizabeth Berlue her daughter land and buildings in course of

<sup>1</sup> Kevill, co. Wilts.

<sup>2</sup> Whaplode and Holbeach, situate in Holland, co. Linc. A "drove" signifies a causeway made across fens for the purpose of driving cattle. Cf. Broderove in Whappelode and "Whapple drove"; and also Personbroderove, near Leverington and Wisbeach, co. Camb. (See

the will of William de Thorneye, pepperer, enrolled A.D. 1350-1, Part 1. pp. 650-1.)

<sup>3</sup> Incorporated A.D. 1600. Its house was in Leadenhall Street. It was the object of much jealousy, and rival companies sprang up; but in 1657 traders to India became united in one joint-stock company.

erection in Basinghallstreete in the parish of S. Michael Basingshaw, to hold the same in tail; remainders over to her aforesaid son Ebeneasor and to her son-in-law John Jacob Berlu<sup>1</sup> of London, merchant, equally. Also to her daughter Elizabeth Berlu aforesaid she leaves a leasehold messuage in Paules Ally in Redcrossestreete in the parish of S. Giles, Criplegate. To her niece Elizabeth Blackwell five pounds; and unto each and every other of her kindred whatsoever twelve pence apiece in full of what they or any of them can or may claim out of her estate. Dated 23 January, A.D. 1669. Roll 342 (3).

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1670-1.

*Monday next before F. of Annunciation of V. Mary [25 March].*

**Sheffield (JOHN)**, late of Navestocke, co. Essex, esquire.—Memorandum that on or about the 1st December, 1670, the said John, with a desire and intention to settle and dispose of his estate, declared his last will and testament nuncupative in these or very like words: "I give all my houses in London to bee sold and the money thereupon raised to bee equally divided betweene my two children Misse and Billy meaneing his daughter Sarah Ellenor and his sonne William Sheffield, his daughter to have her share or portion att the age of eighteene yeares and his sonne William to have his parte and portion att the age of one and twenty yeares," which words, or words to the same effect and purpose, the said John Sheffield did utter, speak, and declare as for his last will and testament nuncupative. Roll 342 (7).

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Andrew, Apostle [30 Nov.].*

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1671.

**Drake (ROGER)**, of Stepney, co. Middlesex, Doctor of Physic.—To Susannah his wife money and chattels so that she pay the sum of one hundred pounds to the two children of his brother Richard and two hundred pounds to the four children of his brother John on their coming of age or marriage, with interest at four per cent. in the mean time. To Roger his son he leaves his books, watch, and seal ring. Bequests of money to divers friends and relations, as well as to the poor of Epping, co. Essex. A certain

<sup>1</sup> The first instance in the wills of a double Christian name. The fashion of having more than one such name is supposed to have been introduced in the reign of Charles II., which witnessed also the introduction of wigs and guineas.

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plot of land in Gutter Lane, London, and his lands and tenements in the parishes of Tullough and Clownbough in the county Tipperary, Ireland, he leaves in trust for sale, the proceeds to be devoted to the discharge of certain debts and legacies, a portion of the surplus to be disposed of in placing his son Roger out as an apprentice and providing a marriage portion for Mary his daughter. Mention made of Roger his father. Dated 24 July, A.D. 1669. Roll 342 (52).

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[Rolls 343—348 contain no enrolment of wills.]

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A.D.  
1680.

## ANNO 32 CHARLES II.

*Monday next before the Feast of S. Katherine, Virgin [25 Nov.].*

**Pope (WILLIAM)**, of White Horse Street in the parish of Stebonheath, *alias* Stepney, co. Middlesex, citizen and carpenter. —To Elizabeth his wife his freehold tenements in Chimney Alley in Colemanstreete in fee; also leasehold messuages in Forestreete in the parish of S. Giles without Cripplegate, with remainder, in case of her decease, to his sister Elizabeth Pearce. Also to his said wife he leaves certain new-built messuages in Philpott Lane in the parish of S. Andrew Hubbard, and near Tower Dock in the parish of All Hallows, Barking, held by him on lease. Pecuniary legacies to his aforesaid sister and her sons. To the Master, Wardens, and Commonalty of the Carpenters' Company of London an annual rent-charge of three pounds ten shillings on the premises in Chimney Alley for the relief of the poor of the said company.<sup>1</sup> To every one of his kindred not named in his will he leaves twelve pence apiece, the same to be paid on demand. Dated 21 August, A.D. 1678. Roll 349 (39).

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1681-2.

## ANNO 33 CHARLES II.

*Monday next before the Feast of Conversion of S. Paul [25 Jan.].*

**Mosse (HENRY)**, scrivener.—To be buried near Francis Mosse

<sup>1</sup> Upon the property being sold, the sum of 116*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* New 3 per Cents. | was purchased, and payment of the trust is made with the dividends.



his late father in the church of S. Michael, Cornhill. His personal estate to be divided into three equal parts according to the custom of London, one part whereof he leaves to Jane his wife, another to his only child, Benjamin, and out of his own third part he makes bequests to the poor of the parish of S. Michael, to the Company of Scriveners, to Christ's Hospital, and divers friends and relatives, among the latter of whom appears Francis his grandson, son of Richard his son deceased. To Mr. James Taylor and the wife and son of the same he leaves ten shillings apiece for rings. Also to his aforesaid wife he leaves messuages in Marke Lane in the parish of S. Olave, Hart Street, and in the parish of All Hallows, Barking, for life; remainder to Benjamin his son in tail; remainders over. Dated 30 December, A.D. 1673.

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1691-2.

Roll 349 (63).

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[Roll 350 contains no enrolment of wills.]

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ANNO 36 CHARLES II.

A.D.  
1684.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Luke, Evangelist [18 Oct.].*

**Weld (ELIZABETH).**—To her grandchild Thomas Hedge her estate in a brick house situate in Broad Street, charged with certain annuities to her grandchildren Elizabeth Medley and Samuel Hedge. Dated 14 October, A.D. 1676. Roll 351 (8).

*Monday next after the Feast of Epiphany [6 Jan.].*

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1684-5.

**Hodges (HENRY)** the younger, son and heir of Henry and Hannah Hodges.—To Henry his father he leaves his reversionary interest in certain messuages in the parish of S. "Ethelborow" in Bishopsgate Street, and in Hesson,<sup>1</sup> co. Middlesex, as well as in a messuage commonly called "Gunpowder barne," *alias* "Read lead barne," in the parish of S. Leonard, Shorditch, to hold the same in fee simple. Dated 5 September, A.D. 1682.—Memorandum that before the publishing of the above will the testator declared his desire that in case his father died without an heir

<sup>1</sup> Heston, near Brentford,

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1684-5. of his body, then his said father should leave the lands in Shoreditch and in Hesson to the testator's kinsman Thomas Hodges, citizen and "Silkethrower" of London.

Roll 351 (11).

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1687.

#### ANNO 3 JAMES II.

*Monday next after the Feast of S. Michael [29 Sept.].*

**Wade** (TIMOTHY), esquire.—To be buried in the church of S. Mary Aldermary. Numerous bequests of money to relatives and friends, and also for purchase of rings and mourning. To Bridewell Hospital, of which he had been a governor for twenty years, he leaves the sum of one hundred pounds, the same to be so secured that two hospital boys may have every two years five pounds apiece towards setting them up in trade on the completion of their apprenticeship. To the president and treasurer of the said hospital he leaves twenty shillings apiece to buy them a ring. Bequests also to Christ's Hospital, to twelve poor ministers, viz., six Conformists and six Non-conformists, to the parish of All Hallows in the town of Northampton for a sermon to be preached yearly on the 2nd of August to commemorate his being saved from drowning in the Angell Well in the said town, and for distribution to the poor; also to Wood Street and Poultry Compters in London, Ludgate Prison, &c. To Martha his wife he leaves all the residue of his estate, personal and real, viz., "Essex lands, Aldermanbury houses, Brandford,<sup>1</sup> Hanwell,<sup>2</sup> Hessen,"<sup>3</sup> all his plate, jewels, necklaces of pearls, bills, bonds, and debts. Dated 26 June, A.D. 1685.

Roll 352 (18).

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1688.

#### ANNO 4 JAMES II.

*Monday next before F. of S. John ante portam Latinam [6 May].*

**Evans** (THOMAS), citizen and "paynter steyster."—To Elizabeth his wife the rents and profits of certain messuages in a court called "Evans Court," and of the front house of the said court, known by the sign of "Guildhall," in Bassinghall Street in the

<sup>1</sup> Brentford, co. Middlesex.  
<sup>2</sup> Co. Middlesex.

<sup>3</sup> Heston, near Brentford.

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Ward of Bassieshaw, for life, and the sum of two hundred pounds, which legacies are to be in full of her customary part and dower. The reversion of the premises aforesaid he leaves to the Master, Wardens, Assistants, and Commonalty of the Art and Mystery of Paynters, *alias* Payntersteyners, subject to payment of certain legacies and the following charges, viz., to the poor of the parish of S. Michael Bassieshaw forty shillings yearly; to a free school at Asburne in the Peake, co. Derby, twenty shillings yearly;<sup>1</sup> and to the poor of the parish of S. Alphege, London, the several sums of thirteen shillings and fourpence and four pounds yearly.<sup>2</sup> Bequests also to his only sister Elizabeth Phillipps, to the son of his brother Walter, to the nearest and poorest of his kindred and relations living in or near the parish of Glasbury, co. Radnor, and many others. To John Marsh he gives all his pots, colours, print books, and other materials belonging to the painting trade. Desires to be buried before his wife's pew in the church of S. Alphege, to the minister of which he leaves forty shillings to buy a ring. Dated 6 April, A.D. 1687.

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<sup>1</sup> Free school at Ashburne, founded 1585 by royal charter of Queen Elizabeth, now known as Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School.

<sup>2</sup> The Company's Return to the Livery Companies Commission of 1880 (which gives the date of the testator's will as 8 April, instead of 6 April, 1687) sets

out the annual rent-charges on the property under the will to be as follows: to the parish of S. Alphege, London Wall, 3*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.*, and to the parish of S. Michael Bassishaw 1*l.* 12*s.* How these charges are made up does not readily appear (Appendix to Report Livery Comp. Com., 1884, vol. iii. p. 631).

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